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2nd whistleblower adds to impeachment peril at White House

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Associated Press
WASHINGTON (AP) — A second whistleblower has come forward with information about President Donald Trump's dealings with Ukraine, adding to the impeachment peril engulfing the White House and potentially providing new leads to Democrats in their unfurling investigation of Trump's conduct.

Attorney Mark Zaid, who represents both whistleblowers, said the second person has spoken to the intelligence community's internal watchdog and can corroborate information in the original whistleblower complaint. That document alleged that Trump pushed Ukraine's president to investigate Democratic presidential candidate Joe Biden's family, prompting a White House cover-up.

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In this Sept. 6, 2019, file photo, Energy Secretary Rick Perry speaks at the California GOP fall convention in Indian Wells, Calif.

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Crucially, the new whistleblower works in the intelligence field and has "first-hand knowledge" of key events, Zaid said.

The emergence of the second whistleblower threatened to undermine arguments from Trump and his allies to discredit the original complaint. They have called it politically motivated, claimed it was filed improperly and dismissed it as unreliable because it was based on secondhand or thirdhand information.

A rough transcript of Trump's call with Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy, released by the White House, has already corroborated the complaint's central claim that Trump sought to pressure Ukraine to investigate the Bidens. The push came even though there was no evidence of wrongdoing by the former vice president or his son Hunter, who served on the board of a Ukrainian gas company.

Text messages from State Department officials revealed other details, including that Ukraine was promised a visit with Trump if the government would agree to investigate the 2016 election and Ukrainian gas company Burisma — the outline of a potential quid pro quo.

Rep. Jim Himes, D-Conn., a member of the House Intelligence Committee, said word of a second whistleblower indicates a larger shift inside the government. "The president's real problem is that his behavior has



This Aug. 1, 2018, file photo shows Rudy Giuliani, an attorney for President Donald Trump, in Portsmouth, N.H.

finally gotten to a place where people are saying, 'Enough,'" Himes said.

Democrats have zeroed in on the State Department in the opening phase of their impeachment investigation.

The Intelligence, Oversight and Foreign Affairs committees have already interviewed Kurt Volker, a former special envoy to Ukraine who provided the text messages.

At least two other witnesses are set for depositions this week: Gordon Sondland, the U.S. ambassador to the European Union, and Marie Yovanovitch, who was abruptly ousted as the U.S. ambassador to Ukraine in May.

Trump and his supporters deny that he did anything improper, but the White House has struggled to come up with a unified response. No administration officials appeared on the Sunday news shows to defend the president, while

other Republicans focused mainly on attacking Democrats. A few Republicans suggested that Trump was only joking this past week when he publicly called on China to investigate the Bidens.

Republican Sen. Lindsey Graham of South Carolina, one of Trump's most vocal backers, provided perhaps the strongest defense of the president. He said there was nothing wrong with Trump's July conversation with Zelenskyy and that the accusation look like a "political setup."

As for Trump, rather than visiting his nearby golf course in Sterling, Virginia, for a second day, he stayed at White House, where he tweeted and retweeted, with the Bidens a main target.

"The great Scam is being revealed!" Trump wrote at one point, continuing to paint himself as the victim of a "deep state" and hostile Democrats.

conduct. "The Democrats are lucky that they don't have any Mitt Romney types," Trump wrote, painting the 2012 GOP presidential nominee as a traitor to his party.

Romney tweeted recently that Trump's "brazen and unprecedented appeal to China and to Ukraine" for an investigation of Biden is "wrong and appalling."

The July call raised questions about whether Trump held back near \$400 million in critical American military aid to Ukraine as leverage for a Burisma investigation. Hunter Biden served on the board of Burisma at the same time his father was leading the Obama administration's diplomatic dealings with Ukraine. Though the timing raised concerns among anti-corruption advocates, there has been no evidence of wrongdoing by either Biden. □

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As the president often does when he feels under attack, he trumpeted his strong support among Republican voters. He kept lashing out at Utah Sen. Mitt Romney, one of the few Republicans who has publicly questioned Trump's

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Maine on track for legal marijuana sales by spring 2020

By PATRICK WHITTLE
Associated Press

PORTLAND, Maine (AP) — Maine marijuana enthusiasts will probably be able to purchase their preferred products in retail stores by March 2020 after years of waiting.

Voters approved legal adult-use marijuana at the polls in November 2016, and the road to legal sales has been long and bumpy. But a key act passed by the Legislature is now in effect, and that means the Maine Office of Marijuana Policy is in a position to complete final adoption of marijuana rules, said David Heidrich, an office spokesman.

The act made tweaks to Maine's Marijuana Legalization Act that were necessary for the marijuana office to adopt the rules, which it is expected to do within two months. That means it will likely be able to accept applications for retail marijuana sales by the end of 2019, Heidrich said.

The state will need time to process the applications, and retailers will also need local approvals, but the state is projecting revenue from marijuana sales by March 15, Heidrich said. How swiftly the applications are approved might

depend on how complete they are, he said. "We won't know until we get applications. It's possible we get applications from someone who has all their ducks in a row and has a municipality lined up that's poised to give them local authorization," Heidrich said.

Maine's rollout of legal marijuana has been beset with hiccups, such as a squabble over the hiring of a key consultant, and was also slowed by former Gov. Paul LePage's opposition to legalization.

However, the result has been a process that will ultimately protect public health and safety, said Scott Gagnon, who led a drive against legalization and has since played a role on a state marijuana commission.

"From a public health perspective it has been a slower pace, a more deliberative pace than has happened in some states," Gagnon said. "I think that's been good."

David Boyer, an independent marijuana industry consultant in Maine, said that it's "disappointing that adults still don't have a place to purchase legal cannabis in Maine," but that the finish line is in sight. □



This April 22, 2016, file photo shows a marijuana bud at a medical marijuana facility in Unity, Maine.

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Problematic relatives: A true American political tradition

By **ASHRAF KHALIL**

Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — Since America's early days, leading politicians have had to contend with awkward problems posed by their family members. Joe Biden is the latest to navigate this tricky terrain.

President Donald Trump has sought, without evidence, to implicate Biden and his son Hunter in the kind of corruption that has long plagued Ukraine. Hunter Biden served on the board of a Ukrainian gas company at the same time his father, then vice president, was leading the Obama administration's diplomatic dealings with Ukraine. Though the timing raised concerns among anti-corruption advocates, there has been no evidence of wrongdoing by either Biden.

The president's baseless claims have nonetheless thrust Hunter Biden into the center of presidential politics, complete with reminders of a checkered history that includes the younger Biden's multiple stints in



In this Jan. 30, 2010, file photo, Vice President Joe Biden, left, with his son Hunter, right, at the Duke Georgetown NCAA college basketball game in Washington.

drug rehab and other personal problems. He's part of a sometimes unfortunate American tradition in which the foibles of otherwise obscure people become liabilities for national leaders. "Everyone's affected when somebody becomes president," said Carl Anthony, author of "America's First Families." "Often these

people end up feeling that their entire identity is filtered through who they're related to."

John Adams, America's second president, had a son who died of alcoholism while the father was still in office. Adams' oldest son, John Quincy Adams, became the sixth president, but John Quincy Adams'

son John was "thrown out of Harvard for drinking and partying," according to Anthony. Presidential historian Doug Wead says both the pressures and temptations of a presidential child or sibling can be unique and distinct from relatives of other famous celebrities or prominent businessmen.

"It's just enormous pressure to perform. The expectations are so high," said Wead, author of "All the Presidents' Children: Triumph and Tragedy in the Lives of the First Families." "It's a hopeless task. Unless you become president yourself, you're overshadowed," he said.

Billy Carter still stands as one of the most prominent examples of troublesome presidential relatives. Jimmy Carter's brother had a string of public embarrassments and flagrant attempts to cash in on his position. His multiple incidents of public drunkenness became so infamous that he launched his own brand of Billy Beer. The hijinks took on a more serious tone in 1980, when he registered as a paid agent of the Libyan government and accepted a \$220,000 payment from Tripoli. The move triggered an investigation by the Senate Judiciary Committee that included a young Sen. Joe Biden, D-Del.

Almost every president has

seemingly had some sort of troublesome family member to contend with. Some of the historical misbehavior would be seen as serious in modern times. Franklin Delano Roosevelt's son Jimmy moved from controversy to controversy, including openly selling positions in his father's administration, Wead said.

In other cases, the scandals now seem in hindsight to be more of a window into the quant social standards of the time. Teddy Roosevelt's daughter Alice was a controversy magnet for her father's entire tenure in office. Her supposed crimes: smoking in public, swearing and showing up at parties with her pet snake. Wead's favorite Alice Roosevelt anecdote: At one point the president said his daughter could not smoke inside the White House, so Alice called a news conference on the White House roof and smoked there.

Richard Nixon reportedly had his brother Donald's phone tapped because he feared Donald's business activities might embarrass the administration. Ronald Reagan's daughter Patti Davis spoke out publicly against her father's politics, published a tell-all book and later posed for Playboy.

Hillary Clinton's brothers were both accused of shady business dealings while their brother-in-law, Bill Clinton, was in office. Meanwhile Roger Clinton, Bill's half brother, had a string of drug-related incidents that famously earned him the Secret Service codename "headache." President Trump's son Don Jr. has earned his share of headlines for meeting with Russian operatives offering dirt on Hillary Clinton as well as pushing Trump business overseas with deals that may have benefited from his father's position.

George H.W. Bush stands as an interesting exception. His most problematic and seemingly least ambitious son turned out to be the most politically successful: George W. Bush, the 43rd president. □

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Homeless man arraigned for beating deaths in Chinatown

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Associated Press

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natown. He did not enter a plea and was ordered held without bail. A fifth homeless man who was injured in the attacks remained hospitalized in critical condition Sunday. The 24-year-old Santos was carrying a metal rod covered with blood and hair when he was arrested near the scene of the attacks, prosecutors said. They said Santos was shown video of one of the attacks while being interrogated by police and he acknowledged that he was the person in the video with a

long metal object. Santos underwent a psychiatric evaluation after his arrest, police said. Santos used a Spanish interpreter in court. His defense team did not comment. He is due back in court Oct. 11. The attacks left blood splattered on the doorways and sidewalks where the men had been sleeping. The area where the rampage occurred includes the Bowery, which has long been a location where those living on the streets have made their nighttime resting area. The city Department of Social Services said the area is canvassed twice a week by homeless outreach workers. The department will increase the frequency of the visits, a represen-



Police officers escort Randy Rodriguez Santos from the 5th Precinct to a vehicle bound for a hospital for evidence collection, Saturday, Oct. 5, 2019, in New York.

Associated Press

tative said. Police identified one of the victims as an 83-year-old man and haven't released other information on the victims yet. Santos has been arrested at least six other times in the past two years, three times on assault charges. Santos' relatives told The New York Daily News he had a history of drug use

since his arrival to the United States from the Dominican Republic several years ago. His mother, Fioraliza Rodriguez, 55, told the paper she had kicked him out of her home about three years ago after he assaulted her. But while she said she had been afraid of him, she said she "never thought he would kill someone." □

Former President Jimmy Carter 'feels fine' after fall



In this Sept. 18, 2019, file photo, Former President Jimmy Carter answers questions submitted by students during an annual Carter Town Hall held at Emory University in Atlanta.

Associated Press

PLAINS, Ga. (AP) — Former President Jimmy Carter fell Sunday at his home in Georgia and needed some stitches above his brow, but "feels fine," his spokeswoman said. Deanna Congileo said in an email that the 39th president fell Sunday in Plains, Georgia, and received stitches. Carter turned 95 on Tuesday, becoming the first U.S. president to reach that milestone. Congileo said Carter and his wife, Rosalynn, who is 92, were eager to be at a Habitat for Humanity build in Nashville, Tennessee. The opening ceremony for the project was scheduled for Sunday evening and it runs through Friday. Carter survived a dire cancer diagnosis in 2015 and surpassed George H.W.

Bush as the longest-lived U.S. president in history this spring. He has had some trouble walking after a hip replacement in May, but regularly teaches Sunday School. Meanwhile, he has continued with his humanitarian work. And he also has occasionally weighed in on politics and policy, recently expressing hopes that his Carter Center will become a more forceful advocate against armed conflicts in the future, including "wars by the United States." "We have been at war more than 226 years. We have been at peace for about 16 years" since the Declaration of Independence in 1776, he said, adding that every U.S. military conflict from the Korean War onward has been a war of "choice." □

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U.S. researchers on front line of battle against Chinese theft

By **ERIC TUCKER**
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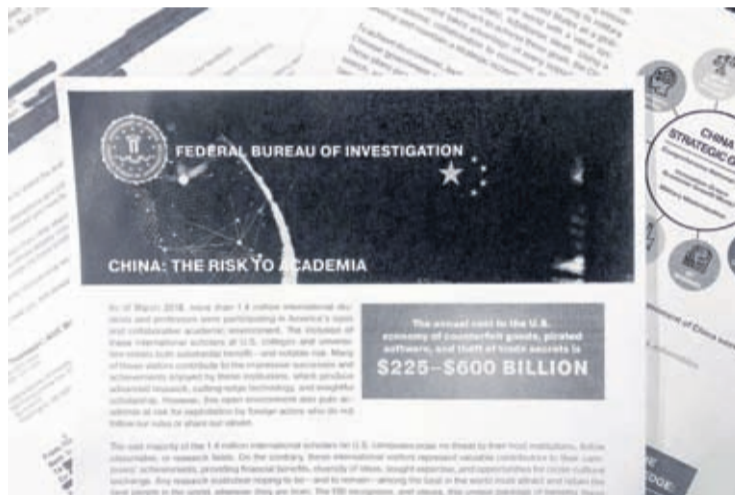
WASHINGTON (AP) — As the U.S. warned allies around the world that Chinese tech giant Huawei was a security threat, the FBI was making the same point quietly to a Midwestern university.

In an email to the associate vice chancellor for research at the University of Illinois-Urbana-Champaign, an agent wanted to know if administrators believed Huawei had stolen any intellectual property from the school.

Told no, the agent responded: "I assumed those would be your answers, but I had to ask."

It was no random query. The FBI has been reaching out to universities across the country as the U.S. tries to stem what American authorities portray as the wholesale theft of technology and trade secrets by researchers tapped by China. The breadth and intensity of the campaign emerges in emails obtained by The Associated Press through records requests to public universities in 50 states.

Agents have lectured at seminars, briefed administrators in campus meetings and distributed pamphlets with cautionary tales of trade secret theft. In the past two years, they've requested emails of two University of Washington researchers, asked Oklaho-



This Oct. 4, 2019 photo shows a copy of an FBI pamphlet and related emails.

ma State University if it has scientists in specific areas and asked about "possible misuse" of research funds by a University of Colorado Boulder professor, according to the emails. The emails reveal administrators routinely requesting FBI briefings. But they also show some struggling to balance legitimate national security concerns against their own eagerness to avoid stifling research or tarnishing legitimate scientists. The Justice Department says it appreciates that push-pull and wants only to help separate the relatively few researchers engaged in theft from the majority who are not.

Senior FBI officials told AP they're not encouraging schools to monitor researchers by nationality but instead to take steps to protect research. They consider the briefings vital since they say universities

haven't historically been as attentive to security as they should be.

"When we go to the universities, what we're trying to do is highlight the risk to them without discouraging them from welcoming the researchers and students from a country like China," said Assistant Attorney General John Demers, the Justice Department's top national security official.

The threat, officials say, is genuine. A University of Kansas researcher was recently charged with collecting federal grant money while working full-time for a Chinese university, and a Chinese government employee was arrested in a visa fraud scheme allegedly aimed at recruiting U.S. research talent. The Justice Department launched last year an effort called the China Initiative aimed at identifying priority trade secret cases

and focusing resources on them. "Existentially, we look at China as our greatest threat from an intelligence perspective, and they succeeded significantly in the last decade from stealing our best and brightest technology," said top U.S. counterintelligence official William Evanina.

The most consequential case this year centered not on a university but on Huawei, charged with stealing corporate trade secrets and evading sanctions. The company denies wrongdoing. Several universities including Illinois, which received the FBI email last February, have begun severing ties with Huawei.

But the government's track record hasn't been perfect. Federal prosecutors in 2017 dropped charges against a Temple University professor earlier accused of sending designs for a pocket heater to China. The professor, Xiaoxing Xi, is suing the FBI. "It was totally wrong," he said, "so I can only speak from my experience that whatever they put out there is not necessarily true."

Richard Wood, the then-interim provost at the University of New Mexico, conveyed ambivalence in an email to colleagues last year. He wrote that he took seriously the concerns the FBI had identified to him in briefings, but also said "there are real tensions" with the "traditional academic norms regarding the

free exchange of scientific knowledge wherever appropriate."

"I do not think we would be wise to create new 'policy' on terrain this complex and fraught with internal trade-offs between legitimate concerns and values without some real dialogue on the matter," Wood wrote.

FBI officials say they've received consistently positive feedback from universities. The emails show administrators at schools including the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill and Nebraska requesting briefings, training or generally expressing eagerness for cooperation. Kevin Gamache, chief research security officer for the Texas A&M University system, told the AP that he values his FBI interactions and that it flows in both directions.

"We have a world-class radiochemistry faculty, our College of Engineering has significant numbers of faculty and students from China, and we have several other issues of concern to me as VPR. In all of these cases, the FBI is always available to help," the administrator wrote to agents. More than two dozen universities produced records, including symposium itineraries and a 13-page FBI pamphlet titled "China: The Risk to Academia" that warns that China does "not play by the same rules of academic integrity" as American universities. □

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Police look for 2 men in Kansas bar shooting that killed 4

By **HEATHER HOLLINGSWORTH**
Associated Press

KANSAS CITY, Kan. (AP) —

Two men opened fire inside a bar in Kansas City, Kansas, early Sunday, killing four people and wounding five others in a shooting believed to have stemmed from an earlier dispute, police said. Authorities were searching Sunday for the two gunmen, said Officer Thomas Tomasic, a police spokesman. He said the two men had apparently gotten into some sort of disagreement with people inside Tequila KC Bar, left, then returned with handguns. Police released surveillance photos of the two suspects Sunday afternoon.

"We think there was something that happened in the bar earlier probably," Tomasic said. "Unfortunately, they left and decided to take it to another level, came back and started shooting."

Around 40 people were inside the small bar when gunfire erupted around 1:30 a.m., Tomasic said.

The gunfire sent people running for the exits, with the injured leaving trails of blood as they fled. One of the injured was trying to get a ride to the hospital when ambulances arrived.

"It's a pretty small bar, so if you have two guys come in and start shooting, people are just running, running anywhere they can," Tomasic said. All four men who were killed were Hispanic, but Tomasic said authorities do not believe the shooting was racially motivated. The shooting happened in a neighborhood with a large Hispanic population.

Tomasic cautioned that police were still investigating exactly what happened. He said they were reviewing surveillance video and interviewing witnesses while looking for the gunmen. "Obviously being a bar at 1:30, stories vary a lot," he said.

Among the dead was one man in his late 50s, another in his mid-30s and two in their mid-20s, police said. Authorities did not immediately release their names.

However, Juan Ramirez, of Kansas City, Kansas, told The Kansas City Star that his 29-year-old nephew was among those killed. He said his nephew left behind a 6-year-old son and a 4-year-old daughter.

"I don't wish this upon anybody," Ramirez said.

Bartender Jose Valdez told the newspaper that he had refused to serve one of the suspects on Saturday night because the man had previously caused problems at the bar. Valdez said the man threw a cup at him and left, but returned later with another man shortly before closing time.

The gunfire created smoke inside the business, Valdez said, and he thought the building was "going to cave in."

Customer Michael Barajas said he didn't realize at first that the fast bangs he heard were gunshots. As he tried to determine who was shooting, Barajas said he felt a bullet hit his shoulder. "I feel like I should have moved a little quicker but there was shock," he said. □



One of multiple shooting victims is loaded into a coroner's van following a shooting at Tequila KC Bar, Sunday, Oct. 6, 2019, in Kansas City, Kan.

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Exit poll: Portugal's Socialists win most votes in election

By **BARRY HATTON**
Associated Press

LISBON, Portugal (AP) — The center-left Socialist Party collected the most votes in Portugal's general election Sunday, an exit poll indicated, leaving it poised to continue in government for another four years. However, with the exit poll predicting they would get between 36-40% of the vote, the Socialists could fall short of a majority in parliament.

That could mean they have to pursue alliances with other left-of-center parties, as they did in their last term with the Portuguese Communist Party and the radical Left Bloc, to pass legislation.

The poll says the main opposition center-right Social Democratic Party will get 24-28%. It gives the radical Left Bloc 9-12%, the Portuguese Communist Party 5-7% and the Christian Democrats 2.4-5%.

Socialist leader and incumbent prime minister Antonio Costa took power four years ago on a promise to undo austerity measures introduced during Europe's financial crisis, when Portugal needed an international bailout.

Now his government is set to reap the rewards of an economic rebound in recent years. Growth climbed from 0.2% in 2014 to 2.1% in 2018, and unemployment dropped by around half, to 6%, over that period.

As other Socialist parties have lost ground across



Portuguese Prime Minister and Socialist Party leader Antonio Costa picks up his ballot paper to vote at a poll station in Lisbon Sunday, Oct. 6, 2019.

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Europe in recent years, Costa's administration has proved wrong the doubters who said it would overspend and endeared itself to its European Union partners by straightening out Portugal's ill-managed public finances.

The budget deficit — long a torment for Portugal as governments routinely overspent — is now close to zero under the financial stewardship of Finance Minister Mario Centeno, who also chairs the meetings of finance ministers from the 19 European nations that used the shared euro currency.

Centeno is expected to continue in the post. The Social Democrats are still associated in the public mind with deep cutbacks and a three-year recession that ended in 2014, when they were in government. Also, party leader Rui Rio

has struggled to contain disagreements between factions of his party.

Smaller, fringe parties may also gain a handful of seats in the 230-seat Republican Assembly, the country's parliament, which will elect the next government. The country's president is mostly a figurehead.

Portugal hasn't witnessed the rise of populist or far-right parties which have risen to prominence elsewhere in the EU. Protests in Portugal are traditionally channeled into a low turnout — the exit poll said it could be a new low of around only half the country's 10.8 million eligible voters.

The next government faces plenty of challenges, including the United Kingdom's impending departure from the EU. The U.K. is one of Portugal's main export markets. □



Britain's Prime Minister Boris Johnson leaves Downing Street to attend Parliament in London, Thursday, Oct. 3, 2019.

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U.K. leader Johnson renews vow to leave EU by deadline

LONDON (AP) — British Prime Minister on Sunday renewed his vow to take the country out of the European Union by the Brexit deadline, in an apparent contradiction of a government pledge in court days earlier to ask for an extension if there's no withdrawal deal.

"We will be packing our bags and walking out on" Oct. 31, Boris Johnson wrote in *The Sun* on Sunday and *Sunday Express* newspapers.

"The only question is whether Brussels cheerily waves us off with a mutually agreeable deal or whether we will be forced to head off on our own."

Johnson's comments are in line with his past repeated assertions on the key question of whether Britain, if it can't finalize a divorce deal with the bloc, would leave without an agreement. But

they're at odds with a U.K. government document quoted in a Scottish court Friday indicating Johnson intends to comply with a law Parliament passed this month requiring the prime minister to ask for a delay if there's no deal with the EU in place by Oct. 19.

It's not clear how the government will resolve the difference between Johnson's public stance and the position taken in court.

Johnson's op-ed appeared aimed at adding pressure on the EU to agree to his latest Brexit proposals as the deadline nears. He urged EU negotiators to join the British side to agree on a deal the U.K. Parliament can support.

The two leaders spoke about Johnson's proposals for an accord to soften the blow of Britain's pending exit from the EU, Macron's office said in a statement. □

North Korea: No more talks until U.S. ends 'hostile policy'

By **HYUNG-JIN KIM**

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) —

North Korea said Sunday that it won't meet with the United States for more "sickening negotiations" unless it abandons its "hostile policy" against the North, as the two countries offered different takes on their weekend nuclear talks in Sweden.

After their first talks in more than seven months in Stockholm on Saturday, the chief North Korean nuclear negotiator said the discussions broke down "entirely because the U.S. has not discarded its old stance and attitude" and came to the negotiating table with an "empty hand." But the U.S. said the two sides had "good discussions" that it intends to build on with more talks in two weeks.

On Sunday night, North Korea's Foreign Ministry issued a statement accusing the U.S. of trying to mislead the public and "spreading a completely ungrounded story that both sides are open to meet" again.

The statement said the Stockholm talks "made us think they have no political will to improve (North Korea)-U.S. relations and may be abusing the bilateral relations for their own partisan interests" at home. It said North Korea isn't willing to hold "such sickening negotiations" as those in Stockholm until the U.S. takes "a substantial step to make complete and irreversible withdrawal of the hostile policy toward" the North.

The statement didn't say which U.S. policies it was referring to. But North Korea has previously accused the United States of plotting an invasion of the country and maintained that U.S.-led sanctions against the North are stifling its economy.

Kim Myong Gil, the main North Korean negotiator at the Stockholm talks, said that since the first summit between President Donald Trump and North Korean leader Kim Jong Un in Singapore in June 2018, the U.S. has been threatening his country with fresh unilateral sanctions and military exercises with South Korea.

When it entered talks with the U.S. last year, North Korea said it was willing to deal away its advancing nuclear arsenal in return for outside political and economic benefits. But many foreign experts doubt whether North Korea would completely abandon a nuclear program that it has built after decades of struggle.

Before the Singapore talks, North Korea had long said it would denuclearize only if the U.S. withdraws its 28,500 troops from South Korea, ends military drills with the South and takes other steps to guarantee the North's security.

Saturday's talks were the first between the sides since the second Trump-Kim summit in Vietnam in February collapsed due to squabbling over how much sanctions relief should be given to North Korea in return for dismantling its main nuclear complex. The two leaders held a brief, impromptu meeting at the Korean border in late June and agreed to restart diplomacy.

State Department spokeswoman Morgan Ortagus said the chief North Korean negotiator's comments about Saturday's talks did "not reflect the content or the spirit" of the "good discussions" that took place over 8 ½ hours. She said the U.S. delegation "previewed a number of new initiatives that would allow us to make progress in each of the four pillars" of a joint statement issued after Trump and Kim's first summit in Singapore in June 2018.

Ortagus also said the U.S. accepted an invitation from Sweden to return to Stockholm in two weeks to continue talks. Because the U.S. does not have official

diplomatic relations with North Korea, Sweden has often acted as a bridge between Washington and Pyongyang.

Kim Myong Gil, the North Korean negotiator, said the North proposed a suspension of talks until December. He said North Korea also made it clear that the two countries can discuss the North's next denuclearization steps if the United States "sincerely responds" to previous measures taken by Pyongyang, including the suspension of nuclear and long-range missile tests and the closing of its underground nuclear testing site. North Korea has demanded the United States come up with mutually acceptable proposals to salvage the nuclear diplomacy by



North Korean negotiator Kim Myong Gil reads statement outside the North Korean Embassy in Stockholm, Sweden, Saturday, Oct. 5, 2019.

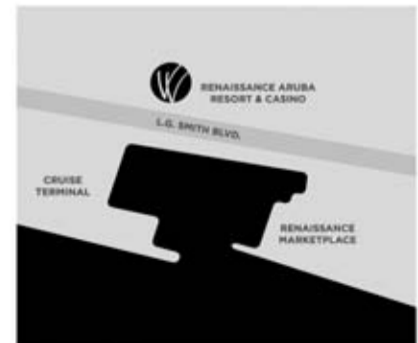
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the end of this year. Kim Myong Gil said whether North Korea will lift its self-imposed moratorium on nuclear and long-range missile tests is completely up to the United States.

"The fate of the future (North Korea)-U.S. dialogue depends on the U.S. attitude, and the end of this year is its deadline," the North Korean Foreign Ministry statement said. □



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Iraq blames 'malicious' hands as toll from unrest tops 100

BAGHDAD (AP) — Twelve anti-government demonstrators were killed Sunday in ongoing protests in the capital Baghdad, the latest fatalities in six days of clashes that have left more than 100 dead and thousands wounded.

Iraq's government has scrambled to contain the popular anger that has racked Baghdad and a number of southern cities since Tuesday. Security forces responded with a crackdown on the spontaneous rallies of demonstrators demanding jobs, better services and an end to endemic corruption in the oil-rich country.

In the first official statement from the government accounting for the violence, Interior Ministry spokesman Saad Maan said Sunday that 104 people had been killed in the six days of unrest, including eight members of the security forces, and more than 6,000 wounded. He said an investigation was under way to determine who was behind the most deadly day of violence, in Baghdad on Friday.



Iraqi Army troops deploy at a site of protests in Baghdad, Iraq, Sunday, Oct. 6, 2019.

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The unrest is the most serious challenge facing Iraq two years after the victory against Islamic State militants. The chaos also comes at a critical time for the government, which has been caught in the middle of increasing U.S.-Iran tensions in the region. Iraq is allied with both countries and hosts thousands of U.S. troops, as well as powerful

paramilitary forces allied with Iran.

Iraq's most senior Shiite spiritual leader, Grand Ayatollah Ali al-Sistani, has urged the protesters and the security forces to end the violence while the country's prime minister has called on the protesters to go home. Prime Minister Adel Abdul-Mahdi also pledged to meet with the protesters wherever they are and without any armed forces, to hear their demands.

Abdul-Mahdi defended the security forces, saying they were carrying out their duties and would only use force in extreme cases of self-defense.

"We can't accept the continuation of the situation like this," Abdul-Mahdi told his Cabinet late Saturday in televised remarks. "We hear of snipers, firebombs, burning a policeman, a citizen." Speaking on Sunday, Maan, the Interior Ministry spokesman, said protesters have burned 51 public buildings and eight political party headquarters. He claimed security forces didn't confront the protesters, adding that "malicious hands" were behind targeting protesters and security members alike.

That contradicted accounts from demonstrators and journalists at the scene who have said they witnessed security forces firing on demonstrators. Some

protesters said snipers also took part in breaking up the protests. Maan said most of those killed Friday were hit in the head and heart.

Officials had said earlier there were attempts at "sedition" from snipers who targeted security and protesters alike. They didn't elaborate.

Late Saturday, the prime minister announced a number of measures designed to appease the protesters, including paying out unemployment benefits and providing subsidized housing and land for low-income groups.

Still, demonstrators took to the streets again Sunday—although in smaller numbers. Hundreds gathered on side streets near Sadr City, a Baghdad suburb, some four kilometers (2.5 miles) from Tahrir Square, which has been the destination of the weeklong rallies, although authorities have prevented protesters from reaching it.

A medical official in a local hospital and a security official said 12 protesters were killed and more than 50 others wounded as they repeatedly tried to break through a security cordon to head to the city center. The officials, who did not provide details, spoke on condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to speak to reporters.

Security forces have beefed up their presence in central Baghdad, deploying as far as Sadr City to seal off Tahrir Square.

Army troops blocked a main road Sunday to prevent the protesters from advancing, then fired on them to push them back. After about an hour, there was more intense gunfire, with soldiers firing over the heads of protesters as they tried to advance.

Ducking in reaction to the fire, some protesters piled over one another trying to hide behind the wall of a nearby water fountain. One protester carrying a drum chanted "peaceful, peaceful," as others joined in. As the gunfire continued, protesters set fires on fire.

Some demonstrators arrived in rickshaws, which have been used to carry the wounded from the bloody clashes.

The U.N. envoy for Iraq appealed for an end to the violence and called for holding to account those responsible. "This must stop. I call on all parties to pause and reflect," Jeanine Hennis-Plasschaert tweeted Saturday night.

Meanwhile, Abdul-Mahdi pledged to meet with the demonstrators to hear their demands.

"I am ready to go wherever our brotherly protesters are and meet them or send them envoys to other locations without any armed forces," he said late Saturday. "I will go and meet them without weapons and sit with them for hours to listen to their demands." He also decreed that those killed in the protests, whether demonstrators or security forces, would be considered "martyrs" eligible for state benefits.

Earlier on Sunday, Baghdad's streets had been mostly quiet and traffic thin as an eerie calm prevailed. Students made it to schools and government employees returned to work. But burnt tires and debris littered thoroughfares while security remained heavily deployed in many neighborhoods. □

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Tens of thousands of goats munch Greek island into crisis

By ILIANA MIER
Associated Press

SAMOTHRAKI, Greece (AP)

— With oak and chestnut forests, waterfalls and rugged coastline, Samothraki has a wild beauty and a remoteness that sets it apart from other Greek islands. There are no package holidays here or even a reliable ferry service to the mainland. Island authorities hope to achieve UNESCO Biosphere Reserve status. Yet still, the natural environment is under threat from an insatiable assailant.

Goats outnumber human inhabitants 15-fold and they are munching stretches of Samothraki into a moonscape. After decades of trying to find a solution, experts and locals are working together to find a 21st-century way to save the island's ecology and economy.

Semi-wild, the goats roam across the island, which is roughly three times the size of Manhattan, and can be spotted on rooftops, in trees or on top of cars as they scour the landscape for anything to eat. Their unchecked overgrazing is causing crisis-level erosion. Torrential rains two years ago swept away the island's town hall and severed its roads. There were no trees or vegetation left on the steep, goat-eaten hillsides to stop the mudslides caused by the downpour.

"There are no big trees to hold the soil. And it's a big problem, both financial and real because (the mud) will come down on our heads," says George Maskalidis, who helps run Sustainable Samothraki Association, an environmental group.

Samothraki, in the northern Aegean Sea, is a two-hour ferry ride south of Alexandroupoli, a Greek city near the country's border with Turkey.

With just 3,000 inhabitants and hard to access, the island has largely missed

out on Greece's tourism boom. Mountain herding is still a way of life here and despite trying for three decades, regional authorities have found it hard to build a local consensus on how to deal with the issue.

The goat population, meanwhile, soared fivefold to an estimated 75,000 by the late 1990s. Some parts of the countryside were simply nibbled away.

The goat numbers have since dropped to below 50,000 as there is little left to graze on. But this has left the island in a trap. Most of its goats are malnourished and too scrawny to be used commercially for meat, animal feed is too expensive to maintain a sustainable business and much of the soil is too depleted for trees to grow back.

At the same time, prices for wool, leather, meat and milk have dropped, leading Samothraki's farmers to grow increasingly desperate.

Yiannis Vavouras, a second-generation goat farmer, says many island farmers have few alternatives.

"Most of us are ready to give up. If I had another job, I would drop the goats," he says, speaking over the noise of jangling goat bells. "It doesn't make enough to buy you a coffee."

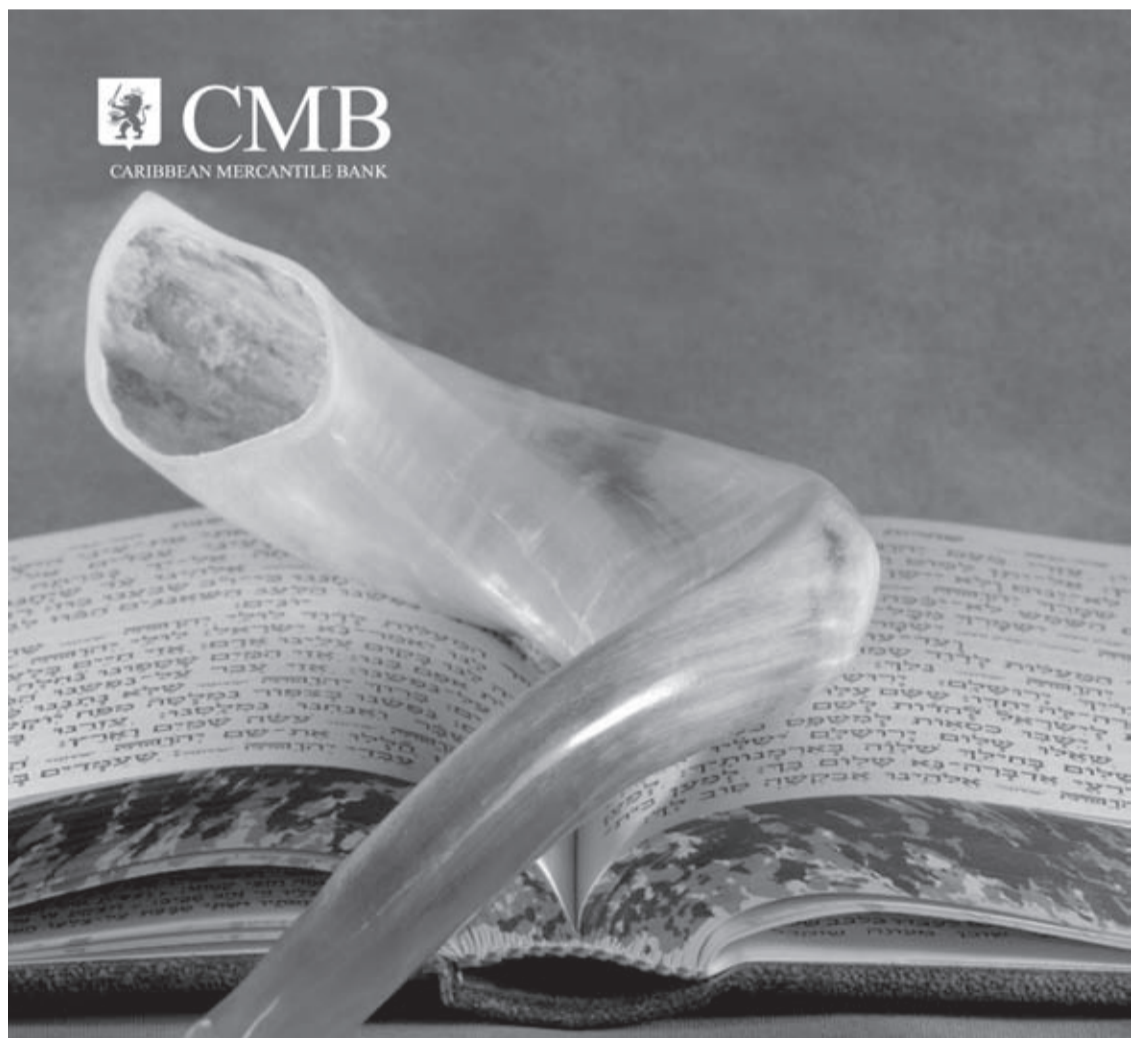
Herds soared due to European Union subsidies, under a system that critics say was poorly monitored and lacked any long-term planning. It now may have to be reversed as a livestock reduction appears inevitable, along with grazing limits. "It is possible to do things in a more sustainable way," Maranon says. "That might mean fewer goats but that could actually work out better for the farmers."

Having a tight-knit community, she says, will also help. "Everyone here is connected to the herders in some way, so this issue affects everyone. To live off the land, you have to keep it alive," she said. □



In this Sept. 8, 2019, photo, goats walk by a car on a road near Kato Meria village, on Samothraki island, northeastern Greece.

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Protests choke communities in Haiti as aid, supplies dwindle

By **DÁNICA COTO**
Associated Press

LEOGANE, Haiti (AP) — Gabriel Duvallesse squatted slightly as he prepared to push 50 gallons (190 liters) of cooking oil in an old wheelbarrow to an outdoors market an hour away so he could earn \$1.

It was his first job in seven days as deadly protests paralyze Haiti's economy and shutter businesses and schools. Opposition leaders and thousands of supporters are demanding the resignation of President Jovenel Moïse amid anger over government corruption, ballooning inflation and scarcity of fuel and other basic goods.

Seventeen people have been reported killed and nearly 200 injured in the protests.

The political turmoil is hitting cities and towns outside the capital of Port-au-Prince especially hard, forcing non-government organizations to suspend aid as barricades of large rocks and burning tires cut off the flow of goods between the city and the countryside. The crisis is deepening poverty in places such as Leogane, the epicenter of Haiti's devastating 2010 earthquake. "We are starving," said 28-year-old Duvallesse, who has been unable to work. "I had to make \$2 last one week."

The United Nations said that before the protests even began, some 2.6 million people across Haiti were vulnerable to food shortages, adding that roadblocks have severely impacted some humanitarian programs. On Sept. 16, the World Food Programme



Residents pump drinking water from a well in the village of Barriere Jeudi, outside Leogane, Haiti, Saturday, Oct. 5, 2019.

was forced to suspend all food deliveries to schools as demonstrations started. Meanwhile, cash transfers to some 37,000 people in need were postponed.

U.N. officials also said that private transporters are reluctant to deliver goods given the security situation, a problem that Leogane business owner Vangly Germeille knows well.

He owns a wholesale company that sells items including rice, soap, cooking oil and cereal to small markets. But his warehouse is nearly empty and he struggles to find truck drivers willing to go to markets to deliver the goods because of thieves and barricades.

"It's an enormous economic loss," said Germeille, a father of two who is thinking of moving to the Dominican Republic if things don't improve soon. "If there's no way to make a living here, I can't stay."

Rice, coconuts, milk and diapers are among the dozens of goods that people in this coastal community of more than 200,000 inhabitants say are hard to find since the protests began in mid-September.

On Saturday, a grocery store near the town's center opened briefly to sell rice, said 40-year-old IT engineer Sony Raymond.

"In less than three hours it was gone," he said. "Leogane is basically paralyzed."

Security concerns grew on Sunday after onlookers said they saw two men fatally shoot a third to steal his bike in Leogane.

The crowd then went after the two men with machetes, dragging one of them through the street while witnesses said the other committed suicide. All three bodies still lay on the street hours after it happened, with one ambulance from

the health department passing by without stopping.

The protests and barricades are increasingly isolating already struggling communities across Haiti, including those like Barriere Jeudi, where amateur bull fights on weekends provide some distraction from people's financial problems.

Bruinel Jean-Louis, who repairs refrigerators and stoves, said he hasn't been able to find much work because he can't travel to find the parts he needs.

"It takes a very long time, and that also makes me suffer," he said as several bulls brayed behind him. To make up for the financial shortfall, he sells halters for horses.

In a small mountain village near the coastal city of Jacmel, some phones began ringing at 5 a.m. on Sunday as friends and family let each other know that

a gas station would open that day and there was a limited supply.

The line already began forming as the sun came up.

Théodore Rathgens, a 53-year-old social worker and construction engineer, said that while protests and blockades had caused problems in Jacmel, he didn't blame Moïse for the problems.

"It's the political clans," he said.

Rathgens said Haiti's justice department should also take it upon itself and not wait for instructions from Moïse to investigate former top government officials accused of mismanaging millions of dollars in funds from a Venezuela-subsidized oil plan slated in part for social programs.

Haitian economist Kesner Pharel noted that Haiti is a country of nearly 11 million people where 60% make less than \$2 a day and 25% make less than \$1 a day. He said the problem is worsening now that food is not going to Haiti's capital nor manufactured goods to rural areas, causing a stoppage to the economy.

The situation angers 62-year-old Carolle Bercy, who moved back to Haiti last year after working in financial services for 30 years in Connecticut and Bridgeport. She said she has seen people fighting over fuel on the rare instances that a gas station opens, and she worries about the future of Haitians.

"It's unbelievable," she said. "No country on earth should go what Haitian people are going through."

LOCAL



October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month

ORANJESTAD — The Breast Cancer Awareness Month, marked in countries across the world every October, helps to increase attention and support for the awareness, early detection and treatment as well as palliative care of the disease. If visiting Aruba this month you will most probably be confronted with fund raising for breast cancer foundations in the streets or supermarkets.



Breast cancer is the most commonly occurring cancer in women and the second most common cancer overall. There were over 2 million new cases in 2018. In low- and middle-income countries the incidence has been rising steadily in the last years due to increases in life expectancy, urbanization and the adoption of western lifestyles.

Currently there is not sufficient knowledge on the causes of breast cancer, therefore, early detection of the disease remains the cornerstone of breast cancer control. When breast cancer is detected early, and if adequate diagnosis and treatment are available, there is a good chance that breast cancer can be cured. If detected late, however, curative treatment is often no longer an option. In such cases, palliative care to relieve the suffering of patients and their families is needed.

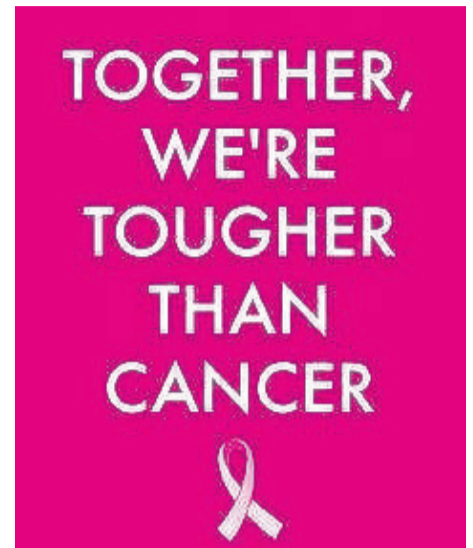
According to research, Aruba does not differ much from the rest of world. Annually there are about 65 new breast cancer cases detected on Aruba. The women affected are between the ages of 45 - 75 and more than 50% are between the ages of 45 - 64 years.



27% of all the new breast cancer cases is detected among women between the ages of 65 - 75.

In Aruba there are several organizations you can recur to for whatever questions or information you might need such as Mary- Joan Foundation Aruba, Stichting BOB and Koningin Wilhelmina Fonds Aruba.

All these foundations are there to give patients and their family support during this difficult stage of life. These organizations have been working hard during the whole year by organizing different activities for breast cancer awareness. Stichting BOB welcomes you to support them with participation in their Full Moon Walk coming Saturday, October 12. They gather at Baby Beach in San Nicolas where the walk starts at 7 PM. Tickets are available at IBISA (Facebook ibisa aruba). Bring your water bottle and flashlight and join them to support



this good cause. Stichting BOB's goal is to promote early detection of breast cancer by screening healthy women between 45-75 years.

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Dutch flag carrier airline KLM celebrates 100 years of existence

ORANJESTAD — Today is exactly 100 years ago that aviation pioneer Albert Plesman founded the Dutch flag carrier airline KLM, an abbreviation of Dutch Royal Airlines. The airline celebrates this milestone worldwide and Aruba participates in the joy. The airline company is flying to the island for 85 years already.

On 15 December 1934, exactly 80 years ago, a very special flight departed from the airport Schiphol in Amsterdam. At ten minutes past midnight, the triple-engine Fokker F-XVIII "Snip", registration PH-AIS, took off with a four-man crew on board: J.J. Hondong, captain; J.J. van Balkom, first officer/navigator; S. van der Molen, deputy navigator and radiotelegraph operator; L.D. Stolk, flight engineer. Their final destination was the Antillean island of Aruba. To get there they would have to cross the Atlantic Ocean. They would be the first KLM crew to do so, opening transatlantic service to the Dutch colonies in "the West". Their journey was a true adventure, not least because the last



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and longest leg of the voyage went over sea. A thrilling endeavor, which had taken several years to prepare. Many visitors have been brought to Aruba by KLM since then, coming from different European countries.

KLM is known worldwide for its stable position as a company, in its operation but also for its accuracy. The airline is the longest existing in the world that still flies under its own name. One of the attractions for the passengers that is popular is the gift of a miniature Delfts Blue porcelain house while flying business class with the airline. Especially for their 100-year celebration the KLM has a special edition of their gift that will be revealed today. In the development of Aruba's tourism industry KLM has always been an important business partner and the island has strong bonds with the flag carrier airline of The Netherlands. Today KLM flies on a daily base from and to Aruba, bringing in 34.373 visitors in the year 2018, and increase of 8, 7 % compared to 2017.

The Aruba Tourism Authority (A.T.A) has offices in Europe and The Netherlands where they have a strong connection with KLM. The past weekend KLM celebrated their milestone of 100 years existence in Aruba with acting Governor Yvonne Lacle and prime Minister of Aruba Evelina Wever-Croes. C.E.O. of A.T.A. Ronella Tjin Asjoe-Croes expressed her appreciation for KLM in the name of A.T.A. □

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Birds of Aruba

ORANJESTAD — On May 11th, 2010, the Aruba Birdlife Conservation was founded with the aim of protecting the biodiversity in general and birds in and around Aruba in particular.

Among other things, the foundation will focus on increasing the survival chances of species of wild birds by promoting their preservation and conservation. The foundation publishes the most beautiful pictures of local birds on their social media that show us the beauty of Aruba's birds and nature in general. Aruba Today gives you a little peek with the following pictures and descriptions from the foundations Facebook page.

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Palm Beach



Did you know that palm trees have a life span of 75 to 100 years and there are 2600 species of palm trees? Some species can grow till 70 meters high too. The first hotel in this area was the Hotel Basi-Ruti, a bungalows style hotel. The location of this hotel is now where RIU is. Just like Eagle Beach this area has also white beaches and is home to many big chain resorts.

Mangroves at Mangel Halto



Basically Mangel Halto has two type of beaches. On the west it's rocky with white sand and also there is a pier where you can do a nice dive jump into the light blue water. The other side is totally different and is covered by mangroves that give a lot of shade and the water is not deep but if you go more into the sea you will find an amazing underwater world just perfect for snorkeling. This drone photo is from the mangrove site of Mangel Halto.

Local Fishing boat



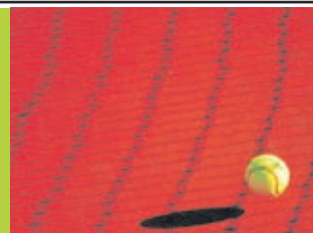
Living on an island gives you many opportunities to learn fishing and sure this is my hobby too. This style of fishing boats are very common here in the Caribbean and in Aruba. This little fishing boat can withstand strong wind and waves that will leave you with an open mouth and the experienced fisherman know how to navigate thru any currency to reach the best fishing spots and back. I took this photo at Rodgers Beach on the right site where all fishing boats anchor.

Fun Family vacation memories



I still remember like it was yesterday about all our family vacations and just thinking about them gives me a sense of joy again. Vacation memories will last forever and there are some poses that will bring back sweet memories in the future. Kids love fun shots and with some creativity you can have amazing family photos. Marcel is a Major and Bruca is a Captain both serving in the military and sure Eloy will follow their steps. An amazing photo shoot with this family.

SPORTS



Kevin Na holds up the trophy after winning the Shriners Hospitals for Children Open golf tournament on the second playoff hole Sunday, Oct. 6, 2019, in Las Vegas.
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Kevin Na survives mistakes to win in Las Vegas

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Kevin Na lost a three-shot lead on the back nine, saved his chances with a clutch par putt on the 17th hole and won the Shriners Hospitals for Children Open in a playoff Sunday when Patrick Cantlay three-putted the second extra hole. It was a wild finish at the TPC Summerlin made possible mainly by Na's mistakes. Leading by three shots going to the back nine, he made triple bogey on the 10th hole without finding a hazard. Then, he hit into the water on the par-5 16th and lost the lead for the first time all day with a bogey. But he delivered a 25-foot par putt on the 17th hole to tie for the lead after Cantlay went into the water, and he matched Cantlay's birdie putt on the 18th on the first extra hole. A day of mistakes ended with the worst one — a three-putt from Cantlay from 45 feet, the second one from just inside 6 feet.

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BY THE HORNS



Falcons give up too many big plays in loss to Texans

Houston Texans quarterback Deshaun Watson (4) is lifted by teammate Nick Martin (66) as they celebrate a touchdown against the Atlanta Falcons during the first half of an NFL football game Sunday, Oct. 6, 2019, in Houston.

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Duvall, Braves rally in 9th to beat Cards 3-1, lead NLDS 2-1

By JAY COHEN
AP Sports Writer

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Dansby Swanson hit a tying double with two outs in the ninth inning and Adam Duvall delivered a two-run single as the Atlanta Braves rallied past the St. Louis Cardinals 3-1 on Sunday to take a 2-1 lead in the NL Division Series.

Atlanta had managed just four hits off Adam Wainwright and Andrew Miller before breaking through against closer Carlos Martínez. With two outs and runners on the corners, Swanson tied it at 1 with a drive off the wall in left.

Swanson pumped his arms as he celebrated on second base after his third hit of the game. He came through after an intentional walk to Brian McCann — Swanson's .187 batting average with runners in scoring position was the lowest in the majors this year among qualified players.

Duvall, who entered as a pinch-hitter in the eighth, then hit a liner into center field to put the Braves ahead to stay. It was his second big hit of the series after he connected for a pinch-hit homer in Atlanta's 3-0 victory Friday.

Game 4 is Monday at Busch Stadium. Atlanta needs one more win to advance to the NL Championship Series for the first time since 2001.

This is the first time the Braves have led a postseason series since they were up 2-1 on San Francisco in the 2002 NLDS. They lost the final two games that year. St. Louis wasted a terrific performance by Wainwright, who pitched 7 2/3 innings of four-hit ball in his first postseason start since 2014. The 38-year-old Georgia native and former Braves draft pick struck out eight and walked two in his first postseason start since 2014.

In the age of bullpens taking over in October, Wainwright and Mike Soroka locked up in an old-fashioned pitchers' duel. But the relievers ultimately decided the game.

Wainwright departed af-



Atlanta Braves' Dansby Swanson celebrates after scoring during the ninth inning in Game 3 of a National League Division Series against the St. Louis Cardinals, Sunday, Oct. 6, 2019, in St. Louis. Associated Press

ter he walked Ozzie Albies on his 120th pitch, loading the bases in the first play-off game in St. Louis in four years. He got a big hug on the mound from catcher Yadier Molina and the sell-

out crowd of 46,701 saluted Wainwright with a standing ovation as he walked to the dugout.

Miller then came in and retired Freddie Freeman on a flyball to center, ending

the inning and preserving a 1-0 lead. But Martinez was hit hard for the second time in the series. He allowed three runs before he closed out St. Louis' 7-6 victory in Game 1. After Atlanta grabbed the lead, Mark Melancon worked the ninth for his second save of the playoffs. Paul Goldschmidt doubled with one out, but Marcell Ozuna struck out looking and Molina lined out to end the game.

The 22-year-old Soroka was almost as good as Wainwright, pitching seven innings of two-hit ball in his postseason debut.

St. Louis jumped in front when Ozuna doubled in the second, advanced to third on Molina's grounder and scored on Matt Carpenter's sacrifice fly. After

Soroka departed, the Cardinals threatened in the eighth. But pinch-runner Harrison Bader was caught trying to steal third ahead of José Martínez's pinch-hit single, and Sean Newcomb retired Dexter Fowler to end the inning.

OZZIE AND WHITEY

Hall of Fame shortstop Ozzie Smith threw a ceremonial first pitch to current Cardinals shortstop Paul DeJong. Hall of Fame manager Whitey Herzog also was on the field before the game after he had a minor stroke last month.

UP NEXT

Dakota Hudson will start Game 4 for the Cardinals. The rookie right-hander is making his postseason debut after going 16-7 with a 3.35 ERA this season. □

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Watson throws 5 TDs, 3 to Fuller; Texans top Falcons 53-32

By **KRISTIE RIEKEN**
AP Sports Writer

HOUSTON (AP) — Will Fuller knew it was up to him to make things happen on Sunday with Atlanta focused on slowing down DeAndre Hopkins.

Fuller didn't disappoint, catching three of Deshaun Watson's five touchdown passes and finishing with a career-high 217 yards receiving to lead the Houston Texans to a 53-32 win.

"Playing with Hop, like I always say, is easy," Fuller said.

"He gets a lot of coverages thrown his way, and I feel like that's why they brought me here, to help him out.

It took me a while, but I finally had this big game, so I'm just trying to help ... out."

Watson threw for a career-high 426 yards and his five touchdowns tied a personal best.

A week after scoring a season-low 10 points in a loss to Carolina, Watson and Houston's offense bounced back on a day he was 28 of 33 and became the first player to top 400 yards passing against the Falcons since Week 16 of 2012.

It was the second-most points in franchise history behind the 57 they scored in a win over the Titans in 2017.

Watson is the first player in NFL to throw for at least 400 yards and five touchdowns with five incompletions or fewer in a game in NFL history.

"Will did a heck of a job and ... DeAndre, he did a heck of a job of allowing Will to get open with double coverage and setting the routes up for him," Watson said.

Hopkins, who had 88 yards receiving on Sunday, was proud that the attention on him helped Fuller to his big



Houston Texans wide receiver Will Fuller, left, is hit by Atlanta Falcons cornerback Isaiah Oliver after a catch during the second half of an NFL football game Sunday, Oct. 6, 2019, in Houston.

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day.

"Not a lot of people want to go out there and just line up a man against me unless they really believe in him," Hopkins said.

"But that's why we have guys like Will, the tight ends and the running backs to step up when there are two or three guys on me."

Fuller's 14 receptions and three TD catches are tied with Andre Johnson for the most in a game in franchise history.

Darren Fells had two touchdown grabs for the Texans (3-2) and Carlos Hyde added a rushing TD.

Houston's beleaguered offensive line didn't allow a sack on Sunday after giving up 18 through the first four games.

Matt Ryan had 330 yards passing with three touchdowns and one interception for the Falcons (1-4), who lost their third straight game.

It was Watson's first meeting with the Falcons after the Georgia native worked as a ball boy for the team

all four years of high school. Watson shared a moment with Falcons owner Arthur Blank on the field before the game.

Blank started the program at the Boys & Girls Clubs of Hall County that allowed Watson the opportunity to work for the Falcons as a teenager.

Atlanta cut the lead to eight points with about 11½ minutes to go before Watson's second TD pass to Fells pushed the lead to 40-25 about five minutes later. The Falcons cut the lead to one score again with 3½ minutes left when Ryan threw a 29-yard pass to Calvin Ridley to get them within 40-32.

But Watson and Fuller struck again, with Fuller grabbing a 44-yard touchdown reception to make it 47-32 with about two minutes remaining.

The Texans added another score when Tashaun Gipson returned an interception 79 yards for a touchdown in the final minute.

The rest of the offense

surrounded Fuller on the bench following the third score and the players bowed to him and lofted him in the air as his big day was announced in the stadium and he was shown on the Jumbotron.

Watson, who was criticized for failing to complete any deep passes against the Panthers, had no such trouble on Sunday when he completed multiple passes for 25 yards or more.

His favorite target was Fuller, who more than doubled his output from the first four games combined on Sunday after entering the day with 183 yards receiving.

Falcons coach Dan Quinn said there was "no excuse" for his team's poor performance on Sunday.

"Those explosive plays just can't be a part of it," he said. "That was one of the catalysts that gave them the energy in the third quarter."

Houston got things going in the second half when Watson hit Keke Coutee on a 51-yard catch-and-run.

The Texans regained the lead four plays later when Carlos Hyde scored on a 1-yard run to make it 23-17. The Texans tacked on a field goal later in the third before Fells caught an 8-yard touchdown pass from Watson to extend the lead to 33-17.

Watson completed two long throws on that drive, finding Fuller for a 32-yard gain before connecting with Hopkins for 29 yards.

DeAndre Carter muffed a punt on the first play of the fourth quarter and it was recovered by Atlanta.

The Falcons cashed in on that mistake when Ryan crashed into the end zone for a 1-yard score with about 11½ minutes left.

It was first ruled that he fumbled, but it was reviewed and determined that Ryan got into the end zone before fumbling to give Atlanta the touchdown.

Ryan found Austin Hooper for the 2-point conversion to cut the lead to 33-25.

Fuller got in front of the defense and grabbed a 33-yard touchdown pass in the second, but the kicked failed to leave the Texans up 13-10.

The Texans pushed the lead to 16-10 with a field goal later in the second before Ryan orchestrated a 12-play, 82-yard drive capped by a 9-yard pass to Devonta Freeman to leave the Falcons up 17-16 at halftime.

THEY SAID IT

Ryan on the loss: "That was a tough one. To sit here 1-4 after five games is difficult. It's not what we wanted, but we're going to be the ones to have to dig ourselves out of it."

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Texans: Visit Chiefs next Sunday. □



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Larson flashes superstar potential with playoff win at Dover

By DAN GELSTON AP Sports Writer

DOVER, Del. (AP) — Kyle Larson was the can't-miss future star who tore up the sprint car circuit and would lead a new generation of young stars into the next era of NASCAR.

His promise yet unfulfilled, Larson's path toward prominence has been slow burning in six-plus years in the Cup Series. He's been saddled with mediocre cars that not even his raw talent could salvage, and a fantastic 2017 was more a blip than a sign Larson would blossom into a perennial championship contender. But as Larson stood atop his Chevy with a two-year winless streak behind him, perhaps his playoff victory Sunday at Dover International Speedway was indeed a preview of a championship celebration ahead.

Larson's wife, Katelyn, shot-gunned a beer in a sudsy victory lane bash as he flashed a No. 1 sign behind her, a worthy way to end a 75-race winless streak.

The 27-year-old Larson has been oh-so close toward grabbing the checkered flag since his last win Sept. 9, 2017, in Richmond. Larson had nine runner-up finishes in the No. 42 Chevrolet over that span and won the \$1 million NASCAR All-Star race this season.

He cashed in at Dover with the Monster Mile-stone win (it was the track's 100th race) that earned him an automatic berth into the third round. Not only has Larson failed to win a title, long-time team owner Chip Ganassi has never won a NASCAR Cup Series championship, something that's surely chapped an organization with handfuls of IndyCar titles.

"It would be nice to get him that championship that,



Kyle Larson celebrates his win in the NASCAR Cup Series auto race Sunday, Oct. 6, 2019, at Dover International Speedway in Dover, Del.

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honestly, he's probably owed," Larson said.

Larson had four of his six career Cup wins in 2017 and Dover marked his first one in the playoffs. He led 154 laps late after Denny Hamlin faded from a dominant early run (he led 219 laps) in the No. 11 Toyota that opened the door for Larson. Playoff drivers took the top six spots: Martin Truex Jr. was second, followed by Alex Bowman, Kevin Harvick, Hamlin and Kyle Busch. Chase Elliott and reigning series champion Joey Logano both suffered serious blows to their championship runs with a rough

start to the second round. Truex won the spring race at Dover and didn't have enough down the stretch to catch Larson and complete the season sweep.

"We just ran out of time," Truex said.

Larson felt like a win or two was within reach on the strength of a sensational late-summer run of top-10 finishes. Larson escaped the first round without any serious drama and can now head to treacherous Talladega and then Kansas to end the second round without any serious concerns. He's the first driver of the 12 contenders in the

field of eight. "Everybody in this playoff field is going to be stressing next week at Talladega except for me, so that's good," Larson said. "Last time I was at Talladega I was on my lid. I could still end up on my lid next week, but it's not going to matter after this win.

Larson was expected to help bridge the gap between grassroots racing and NASCAR when Ganassi hired him before the 2012 season. Larson made his name by racing all over the country in any series where he could find a ride. Larson counted 92 races in 2011 and 123 races in 2012 and

continued to race in the dirt even when he landed his ride with Ganassi. Larson had talked of wanting to pattern his career after someone like Tony Stewart, who started his career on dirt tracks in open wheel cars. Stewart in turn guaranteed Larson, who is half Japanese, would be the next big thing in NASCAR.

"If not, you can take everything I own, because I'm that confident," Stewart said years ago. "It's not a matter of if, it's when." Larson's not there yet — but just maybe he's getting there. Here's what else happened at Dover.

RACE RUINED

Logano and Elliott both had their races ruined before the race even finished 10 laps. Logano failed to start the race because of a broken axle on the No. 22 Ford. He eventually hit the track more than 20 laps down and finished 34th.

"We just used our mulligan up," Logano said. "We're not a must-win but we must do really well in the next two races."

Elliott, who won last week at Charlotte, had the engine in his No. 9 Chevrolet blow up just laps into the race and he finished last. Elliott won Dover last season and can't afford another major slip-up to make the third round.

"I don't know where we'll stack up," he said. "I assume we'll have to win one of these next few weeks. If you ever make it to Homestead, you're going to have to win down there."

Clint Bowyer and Ryan Blaney join Logano and Elliott as the bottom four drivers in the playoff field.

UP NEXT

NASCAR heads to Talladega Superspeedway where Aric Almirola is the defending race winner. □

Hanging on: U.S. sets past aside, wins men's 4x100 gold medal

By **EDDIE PELLIS**

AP National Writer

DOHA, Qatar (AP) — Noah Lyles let out a huge scream and kept right on running — through the finish line and straight toward his teammate, Christian Coleman. After a quick hug, Lyles stuck the baton out and Coleman grabbed hold, too.

Nobody was letting it go. Motivated by a team meeting in the morning, then propelled by sticky-fingered flawlessness at night, the American men overcame the country's longest and most-notorious track jinx to win gold at the world championships Saturday in the 4x100 relay that has bedeviled this team for decades.

"We broke the curse. We broke the curse," Lyles yelled into the microphone during his on-track interview. "U-S-A. We're taking all the golds! All of them." Their first sprint relay win at worlds since 2007 — the pre-USain Bolt days — made the U.S. men 3 for 3 in the sprints. The winning started a week ago with Coleman's romp in the 100, and continued Tuesday with an equally impressive win from Lyles in the 200. Then, this: A win that was anything but pre-ordained, despite the clear advantage the Americans held in raw speed.

It takes teamwork, too.



Gold medalists in the 4x100 relay from left, Noah Lyles, Michael Rodgers, Christian Coleman and Justin Gatlin, of the United States, celebrate at the World Athletics Championships in Doha, Qatar, Saturday, Oct. 5, 2019.

Three times, the Americans passed the baton — from Coleman to Justin Gatlin, from Gatlin to Mike Rodgers, and from Rodgers to Lyles — and with nary a hiccup in any of the exchanges. The clean exchanges allowed that raw speed to take over.

Still pumped more than an hour after the race, Lyles provided his own play-by-play.

"I saw the first handoff and I was, like 'Dang,' then I saw the next one and it was, 'Dang,' then, I'm like 'Ooh,'" he said. "Then I got the baton and I'm thinking, 'I've got to run fast.'"

They're over there doing magic and I'm just trying to make it all worthwhile." It put an exclamation point on a night that had its share of good and bad for the U.S.

Good: Joe Kovacs pulling an upset over his teammate, Ryan Crouser, for a 1-2 U.S. finish in the shot put. Bad: A false start by Olympic champion Brianna McNeal in the 100-meter hurdle heats — "I didn't false start," she insisted to the judges before leaving the track (but she did). And Brittney Reese's surprisingly early exit from the long jump, meaning she won't

be in the final to defend her title Sunday. Including the women's relay bronze medal in a race won going away by Shelly-Ann Fraser-Pryce and Jamaica, the United States heads into the final day with 11 gold medals, and 25 overall. It will be a stretch to match the record total of 30 from two years ago in London. Other gold medals went to Yulimar Rojas of Venezuela in the triple jump and Kenya's Hellen Obiri in the women's 5,000 meters. Obiri held off a charge from eventual bronze medalist Konstanze Klosterhalfen, whose coach is Pete Julian,

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an assistant at the Nike Oregon Project — the team run by Alberto Salazar, the famed long-distance guru who was kicked out of the meet last week after receiving a doping ban.

Sifan Hassan, who was a Salazar athlete, became the first person to complete a 1,500-10K double at worlds, running the shorter race Saturday in 3 minutes, 51.95 seconds to demolish a top 10 that included six other athletes who set personal bests.

The result brought with it some immediate trolling on social media.

"That was the best women's championship field in history. And one person dominated," tweeted Steve Magness, the former assistant of Salazar's who was one of the key whistleblowers in the doping case. Hassan wasn't in the mood for apologies.

"If they want to test me, they can test me every single day," she said. "I believe in clean sport. I believe in Alberto. Since I've been with him, I've worked really hard, and that's what I know."

The harshest of the doping sticklers will be quick to point out that Gatlin (two bans), Rodgers (nine-month ban in 2012) and Coleman (convoluted whereabouts case dismissed last month) also have some baggage in that area. □

Las Vegas

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Na, who closed with a 1-under 70, rolled in his 4-foot par putt and raised his arms in celebration. It was his third victory in the last 15 months, and third in as many seasons on the PGA Tour. He joined Jim Furyk as the only multiple winners in Las Vegas.

"It came down way to close," Na said.

Cantlay was runner-up for the second straight year in Las Vegas, where he earned his first PGA Tour victory two years ago. Even so, this was a tough

loss to take. As much as he took advantage of Na's blunders, Cantlay made some of his own.

He two-putted the par-5 16th from 40 feet for a one-shot lead after Na hit into the water and made bogey. But on the next hole, Cantlay came up short and just enough left that the ball rolled back into the water.

He got up-and-down for bogey and looked as if he would keep his lead when Na went into a bunker and had such a perilous shot that he chose to play away from the flag



Kevin Na reacts lines up his shot on the second green during the final round of Shriners Hospitals for Children Open golf tournament Sunday, Oct. 6, 2019, in Las Vegas.

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to keep it out of the water. But he made the 25-footer

Cantlay hit the longest drive of the final round — 345 yards — and had only 113 yards left. But he could get no closer than 25 feet, and his putt hung on the right edge of the putt.

Cantlay, trying to win for the third time when facing a deficit of at least three shots, closed with a 68. They finished at 23-under 261.

On the first extra hole, Na hit wedge to just inside 10 feet. Cantlay was just outside 10 feet — on the same line as his 25-foot birdie chance in regulation — and made it. Na poured his in, walking toward the hole before the ball dropped. □



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Golovkin edges Derevyanchenko to regain a middleweight title

By BRIAN MAHONEY
AP Sports Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Gennadiy Golovkin is a champion again, though just barely.

The powerhouse who used to look invincible looked beaten up by the end of Saturday night.

Golovkin held on to regain one of his old middleweight titles, edging Sergiy Derevyanchenko in a unanimous decision to take the IBF championship at Madison Square Garden.

Golovkin knocked down Derevyanchenko in the first round, opened a cut near his right eye in the second, and then held on from there in a fight where the longtime 160-pound ruler absorbed plenty of the type of punishing shots he used to deliver.

"This was a tough fight," Golovkin said. "I need a little bit more. I need to still get stronger in my camp. Just more serious. I need to work hard. I need a little bit more focus."

But the 37-year-old did just enough to win 115-112 on two cards and 114-113 on the other, claiming the



Gennadiy Golovkin raises his arm after defeating Sergiy Derevyanchenko by decision in their IBF middleweight championship title bout at Madison Square Garden in New York on Saturday, Oct. 5, 2019.

belt that was vacated by Canelo Alvarez, who handed Golovkin (40-1-1, 35 KOs) his only loss.

The Associated Press scored it 115-112 for Golovkin.

Derevyanchenko (13-2) fell just short in his second attempt to win the middleweight title, having lost by split decision to Danny Jacobs last year, also at Madison Square Garden.

Many of the same fans who cheered Golovkin wildly before the fight and chanted "Triple G! Triple G!" when it looked as if he

needed a boost in the 10th as Derevyanchenko rained combinations to his head booed the decision.

Golovkin was credited with a 243-230 advantage in punches by Compubox, which said Derevyanchenko landed the most punches in any of the 25 Golovkin fights it had tracked.

"Right now it's bad day for me. It's a huge day for Sergiy, his team," Golovkin said. "This is huge experience for me. Right now I know what I need exactly." It was Golovkin's second

straight win after he had a draw and a loss in his two fights with Alvarez, close bouts in which many people thought he won at least one of them. But plenty more thought he could have lost this one, after Derevyanchenko rallied strongly from a bad start to the fight. Golovkin wants a third fight with Alvarez but he would have to be much sharper if he gets it — or if he has a rematch with Derevyanchenko — than he was Saturday.

He was frequently beaten to the punch by Derevyanchenko, who ignored the cut and Golovkin's vaunted power to nearly pull off the upset.

"The cut really changed the fight. I couldn't see at times," Derevyanchenko said. "And he was targeting the eye. But no excuses, it is what it is, I was trying my best."

Golovkin started cautiously, seemingly willing to just establish his jab in the first round, before suddenly unleashing a flurry of punches that sent Derevyanchenko to the canvas. Then he had another good round in

the second, when the cut opened that would be frequently checked by doctors between rounds.

Derevyanchenko got himself into the fight with a good third but took some more punishment in doing it, then kept up the good work in the next couple rounds while wiping away the blood around his eye that was staining Golovkin's white shorts.

Golovkin landed some hard shots late in the sixth to slow the Ukrainian's momentum a bit. Golovkin then seemed to get the better of a great exchange at the end of the seventh as the area under his left eye swelled.

Derevyanchenko landed a good three-punch combination in the eighth and Golovkin just shook his head, then landed one of his patented body punches later in the round to slow down the Ukrainian, but only temporarily. Derevyanchenko resumed the pressure again in a back-and-fourth ninth round but didn't have enough for the finish, losing the 12th on all three cards. □

Adesanya floors middleweight champion Whittaker at UFC 243

By GREG BUCKLE
Associated Press

MELBOURNE, Australia (AP) — Israel Adesanya defeated UFC middleweight champion Robert Whittaker with a stunning knockout in the second round of their highly anticipated 185-pound unification bout which headlined UFC 243 on Sunday. New Zealand-based, Nigerian-born Adesanya landed a booming right hook which floored Whittaker in the final seconds of the first round and

then ended the fight in the second of the five-round contest with a left hook.

Adesanya was interim champion before claiming the title against Whittaker and improved his UFC record to 7-0.

After doing a cartwheel during his entry to Docklands Stadium, Adesanya said he was determined to put on a show.

"I'm a dancer. I'm an entertainer, I have to give them a show and set the tone," Adesanya said. "There's

no one like me. No one."

The 30-year-old said he had soaked up everything Whittaker could throw at him in the short bout.

"He caught me with a nice one, but I returned," Adesanya said. "I eat it, but give it back two times. I'm tough and smart."

The attendance of 57,127 set a world record for UFC, surpassing the 56,214 at the same venue in 2015.

"I was in the nose bleeds, and now I've made his nose bleed," Adesanya



Robert Whittaker of Australia, right, is kicked by Israel Adesanya of New Zealand as they compete during UFC 243 in Melbourne, Sunday, Oct. 6, 2019.

said immediately after the fight in reference to that 2015 event where he was a spectator in the upper reaches in the stadium

while Whittaker was a rising UFC star on the card at that event. The New Zealand-born Australian Whittaker won his fight that night. □

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Competitors swallow transmitters to study heat effects

By PAT GRAHAM

DOHA, Qatar (AP) — The stopwatch is only one way to measure the gains athletes are making at the world championships this year.

About 200 runners volunteered to swallow red-and-white capsules that contain data transmitters. It's part of an IAAF research project on the effects of heat and body-core temperatures. They couldn't have picked a better time or place — in Doha, where the temperatures reach 100 degrees (38 Celsius) every day, and less than a year removed from the Olympics in Tokyo, where conditions are expected to be every bit as stifling.

Most of the volunteers for this study come from endurance events such as the marathon, 10,000 meters and race walks. The marathon and race walks are being held outside the air-conditioned stadium. Temperatures have been around 90 (32 C) with humidity above 70 percent each night. About 25 to 40 percent of the athletes dropped out of the women's marathon and 50k race walks. There are around 20 runners taking part in the study for the men's marathon Saturday. "We're learning a lot from these elite athletes with this technology," said Paolo Emilio Adami, the health and science department medical manager for the track federation.

This is how it works: About



Dr. Paolo Adami explains the use of a heat measuring sensor at the World Athletics Championships in Doha, Qatar, Monday, Sept. 30, 2019.

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two hours before they start, runners in the study are asked to swallow a capsule — the size of a typical antibiotic — that contains a transmitter and battery. The capsule works its way into the intestines by race time (that's the goal, anyway) and the medical staff takes it from there, with equipment set up to sync with the transmitter after an athlete finishes. The transmitters record body-core temperatures.

In addition, there are thermal cameras set along the course that calculate heat emission through high-definition pictures (it's not recorded through the transmitter). And the participat-

ing athletes are weighed before and after the race to assist in gauging hydration levels.

American marathoner Roberta Groner of Montclair, New Jersey, raised her hand to take part in the project. No surprise, given her background is in nursing.

"I'll do anything for research," Groner said. Shortly after finishing the midnight women's marathon on Day 1 of worlds, and still drenched from the race, Groner was escorted over to a station, where the medical staff hung a transmitter around her neck to download the information. "It's good data for the sport

and for myself to find out how I did throughout the competition," Groner said. She's eager to see what the results yield after her sixth-place finish. It could offer some useful training tips going forward and with the Olympics on the horizon. For the project, IAAF partnered with Aspetar, an orthopedic and sports medicine clinic in Doha. It's similar to the heat research cycling conducted during its 2016 world championships in Doha.

Adami stresses the data is only being conducted for research purposes and can't be used to impact an athlete during the competition since it's not real-time.

The IAAF medical team focuses on body core temperature. If that number runs too high, it could be an indication of such things as heat stroke.

"Our body is the most perfect machine that exists," Adami said. "We are learning with this technology device and interpreting the messages that we normally feel and that we would not be paying enough attention to."

All athletes competing at worlds have been urged to fill out a survey, where the researchers asked questions involving hydration and acclimation plans to brace for the Doha heat. Distance runners can use all the information they can get with Tokyo less than a year away. They'll be running in extreme heat, as well as sunshine. Unlike these marathons, which are starting at midnight, next year's marathons will go off at 6 a.m.

"That will be a massive difference," Adami said. Some of the teams that reached out to participate in the project include Germany, Italy, Spain, Japan, China, Australia and Kenya. There have been individual athletes from France, Britain and the U.S. who wanted in on the research, too.

"Based on this data, ideally, they should be able to tailor the needs to each athlete," Adami said.

As for how the device is dispelled — well, nature simply runs its course. □

California bans 'deep fakes' video, audio close to elections



In this Sept. 10, 2019 file photo, Assemblyman Marc Berman, D-Palo Alto, right, talks with Assemblyman Jesse Gabriel, D-Encino, left, at the Capitol in Sacramento, Calif.

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By KATHLEEN RONAYNE
SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP)

— California is trying to stop people from deceptively editing videos and audio in ways that are aimed at influencing elections. Legislation signed by Gov. Gavin Newsom on Thursday bans the distribution of manipulated videos and pictures that maliciously aim to give someone a false impression about a political candidate's actions or words within 60 days of an election.

It was written in response to a rise in the use of "deep fake" technology that can make it appear as if someone is saying something or acting in a way they are not. Experts have raised concerns about such technology's possible use in voter disinformation campaigns, but opponents of the law say the bill threatens to trample on free speech rights and may not have its intended effect. Democratic Assemblyman Marc Berman introduced

the bill after an altered video that appeared to show U.S. House Speaker Nancy Pelosi slurring her words circulated widely on the Internet. Rudy Giuliani, the president's personal lawyer, shared the altered video of Pelosi on Twitter but later deleted it, the New York Times reported. President Donald Trump did not share that video but did tweet a separate video from Fox Business that spliced together examples of Pelosi stumbling on her words. □

Asian shares mixed on U.S. jobs, eyes on China trade talks

By YURI KAGEYAMA
AP Business Writer

TOKYO (AP) — Asian shares were mixed Monday, following a healthy report on U.S. jobs, while investors cautiously awaited the upcoming trade talks between the U.S. and China.

Japan's benchmark Nikkei 225 lost early gains to be down 0.2% in morning trading at 21,358.56. Australia's S&P/ASX 200 rose 0.4% to 6,544.00, while South Korea's Kospi gained 0.1% to 2,022.84. Markets in China were closed for a holiday.

Wall Street ended a choppy week of trading with a broad rally that drove the Dow Jones Industrial Average more than 370 points higher.

The gains Friday also gave the S&P 500 its best day in seven weeks, though the benchmark index still finished with its third straight weekly loss. The job market data for

September showed the U.S. unemployment rate dropped to a five-decade low and employers were adding jobs at a healthy clip.

The S&P 500 rose 41.38 points, or 1.4%, to 2,952.01. The index finished the week with a 0.3% loss. The Dow climbed 372.68 points, or 1.4%, to 26,573.72. The Nasdaq composite gained 110.21 points, also 1.4%, to 7,982.47. The Russell 2000 index of smaller company stocks rose 14.36 points, or 1%, to 1,500.70. If the job market can remain strong, it would allow U.S. households to keep spending. And that spending strength has been the hero for the economy recently, propping it up when slowing growth abroad poses a threat and President Donald Trump's trade war with China saps exports and manufacturing. □

FTC halts 'misleading' real estate seminars with HGTV stars

By JOSEPH PISANI
AP Retail Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — A court has agreed to put a temporary stop to pricey real estate seminars fronted by HGTV stars after the Federal Trade Commission said promises that the classes could make people rich were "misleading" and "bogus."

In its complaint Friday, the FTC said that Utah-based Zurixx LLC would hold free real estate events endorsed by HGTV stars, including Tarek El Moussa and Christina Anstead of "Flip or Flop" fame. But at the events, attendees would be asked to pay for another three-day class that cost \$1,997. And those who paid for those classes would be taught how to apply for new credit cards and increase the credit limits on existing cards. Then, according to the FTC, instructors would suggest using the credit to pay for additional training that cost more than \$41,000.

When customers complained, the FTC said Zurixx would offer refunds, but only if customers signed an agreement barring them from writing negative reviews or speaking to regulators.

Zurixx said in a statement that it welcomes the scrutiny and anticipates "a positive outcome as we work directly and openly with the agencies involved."

HGTV did not immediately respond to a request for comment. □

GM-UAW talks take turn for worse; settlement not near

By TOM KRISHER
AP Auto Writer

DETROIT (AP) — Contract talks aimed at ending a 21-day strike by the United Auto Workers against General Motors have taken a turn for the worse, hitting a big snag over product commitments for U.S. factories, a union official wrote in an email to members.

The letter from UAW Vice President Terry Dittes casts doubt on whether there will be a quick settlement in the contract dispute, which sent 49,000 workers to the picket lines on Sept. 16, crippling GM's factories.

Dittes' letter says the union presented a proposal to the company Saturday. He said GM responded Sunday morning by reverting back to an offer that had been rejected and made few changes.

The company's proposal did nothing to address a host of items, Dittes wrote, specifying job security for members during the term of the four-year contract. Normally in contract talks, the union bargains for commitments from the company to build new vehicles, engines, transmissions and other items at U.S. factories represented by the union.

"It did nothing to provide job security during the term of this agreement," Dittes wrote. "We, in this



John Kirk, right, a 20-year-employee, pickets with co-workers outside the General Motors Fabrication Division, Friday, Oct. 4, 2019, in Parma, Ohio.

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union, could not be more disappointed with General Motors who refuse to recognize the experience and talent of our membership." In a statement, GM said it continues to negotiate in good faith "with very good proposals that benefit employees today and build a stronger future for all of us." The company said it is committed to talking around the clock to resolve the dispute.

But Dittes wrote that while both sides had made progress on important issues two days ago, the talks now "have taken a turn for the worse."

Dittes also sent a sharp letter to GM's vice president for labor relations Sunday, saying: "You didn't even have a professional courtesy to explain why you could not accept or why you rejected our package proposal for each item we addressed."

A person briefed on the talks said Sunday that the union voiced concerns about GM increasing production in Mexico, where it now builds pickup trucks, small cars and two SUVs. The person, who spoke on condition of anonymity because the talks are private, said both sides are far apart on guarantees of new products in U.S. factories.

GM leads all companies in automobiles produced in Mexico at just over 833,000 last year, according to LMC and the Center for Automotive Research, a think-tank based in Ann Arbor, Michigan. Of GM vehicles sold in the U.S., 22% are produced in Mexico.

GM's U.S. factories have been shut down since the workers walked out Sept. 16. Parts shortages also have forced the company to close plants in Mexico and Canada. □



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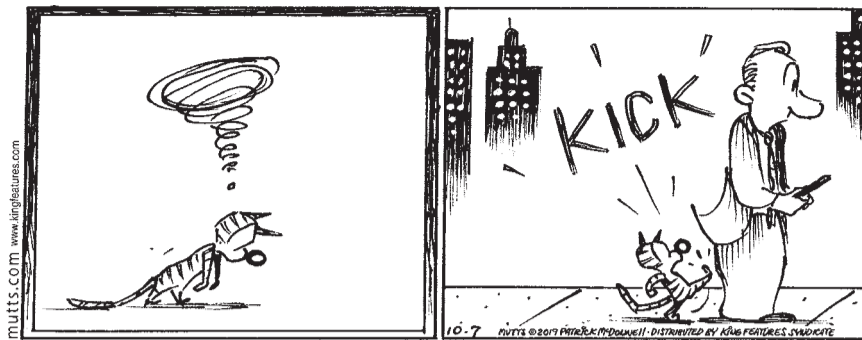
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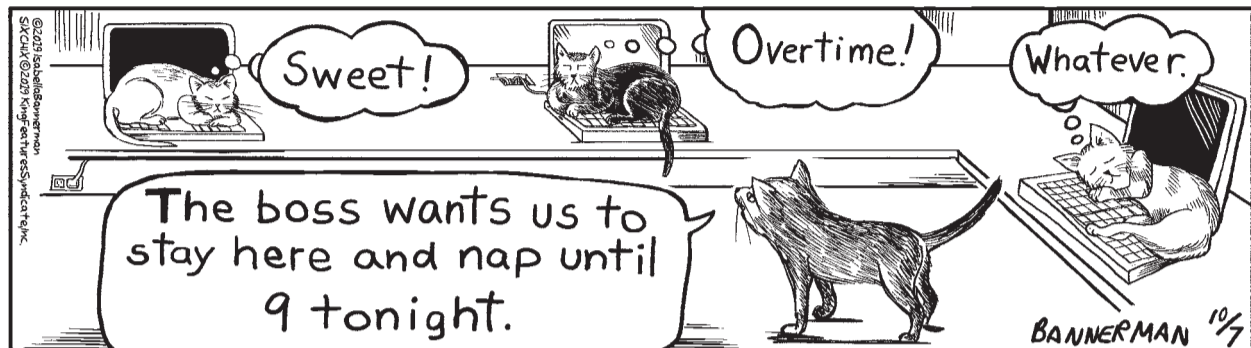
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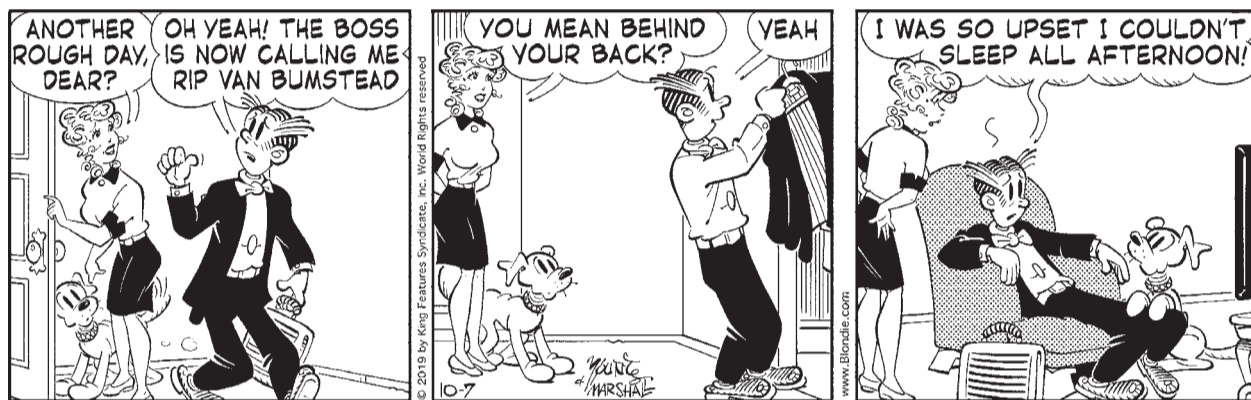
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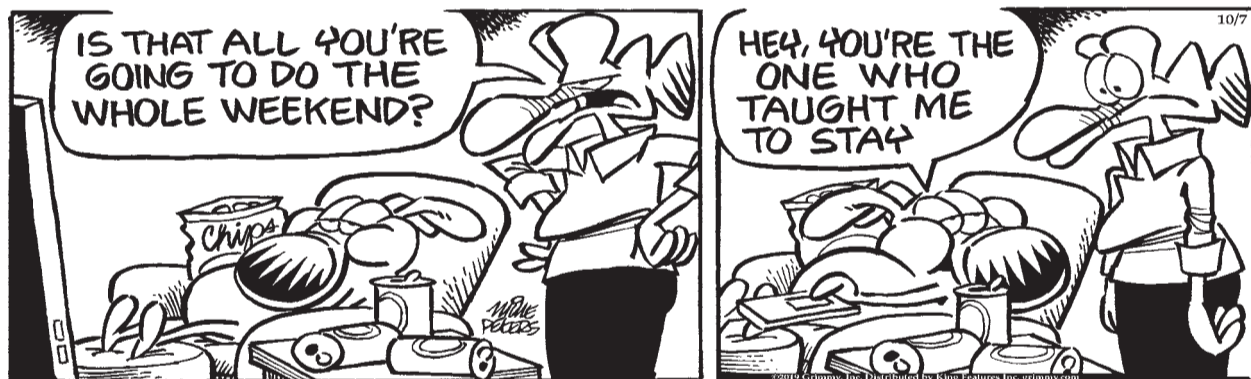
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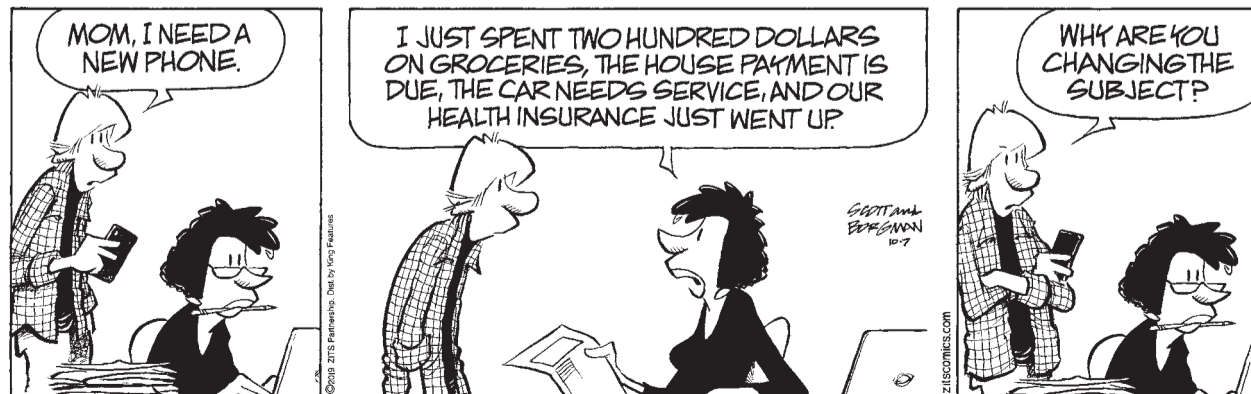
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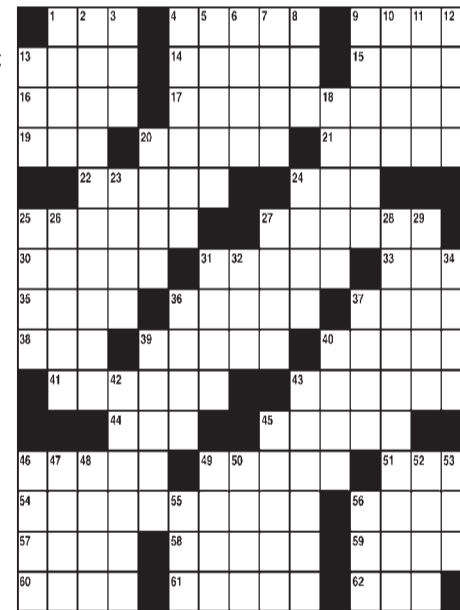
Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Conceptis Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

Saturday's puzzle answer

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6	1	5	7	4	2	8	3	9
3	2	4	8	9	1	6	5	7

ACROSS

- 1 Toast spread
- 4 Come into conflict
- 9 Actor Sandler
- 13 Unwanted find in a fish dish
- 14 Capital of Vietnam
- 15 Indian prince
- 16 Aristotle's "B"
- 17 Sporadic
- 19 TV drama series
- 20 "It's all ___ to me"
- 21 Brainy
- 22 Footwear
- 24 Pres. Arthur's initials
- 25 Beer mugs
- 27 Wild animals
- 30 Cone-shaped dwelling
- 31 Old French currency
- 33 Push-___; calisthenics exercises
- 35 Breaks a fast
- 36 Perch
- 37 Get ready, for short
- 38 Sorority letter
- 39 Track-and-field events
- 40 Solitary
- 41 Resounds
- 43 Disease
- 44 Strange
- 45 Ore seeker
- 46 Diminish
- 49 ___ out; eliminate gradually
- 51 "Scent ___ Woman"; Al Pacino film
- 54 Uprisings
- 56 Spoil
- 57 ___ the shots; be in charge
- 58 TV's "Kate & ___"
- 59 "It ___ I hadn't!"; cry of regret
- 60 Seeks damages from
- 61 "Guilty" and "Not guilty"
- 62 ___ on a Grecian Urn



Created by Jacqueline E. Mathews 10/7/19

- 3 "Give ___ break!"
- 4 Tasks
- 5 Shoestrings
- 6 Suffix for inherit or vigil
- 7 ___ up; absorb
- 8 ___ and hers
- 9 Fragrances
- 10 Plato or Carvey
- 11 Not quite closed
- 12 Sweet creamy drink
- 13 UK network
- 18 Newton or Hayes
- 20 No longer here
- 23 Rushes
- 24 Penny
- 25 "___ on it!"; cry to a slowpoke
- 26 Razz
- 27 Bony fish
- 28 Face the other way
- 29 Velocity
- 31 Opponents
- 32 Go bad
- 34 Agile
- 36 Rex or Donna
- 37 North ___; Santa's home
- 39 Fashion show participant

Saturday's Puzzle Solved

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DOWN

- 1 Montana & Biden
- 2 Iodine or Neosporin

- 49 Capsule or caplet
- 50 Donut center
- 52 Rank's partner, in phrase
- 53 Not ___ longer; no more
- 55 Living in the ___ of luxury
- 56 One of Winnie the Pooh's pals

Cone or scoop: Guinea pig ice cream for sale in Ecuador

By GONZALO SOLANO
Associated Press

QUITO, Ecuador (AP) — It's a real ice cream flavor: guinea pig.

Anyone who thinks of guinea pigs as pets _ cute, squishy, squeaking bundles of fur _ might find that idea hard to digest.

The rodents are a traditional hot dish in some Latin American countries, including Colombia, Peru and Bolivia. In Ecuador, people typically cook guinea pigs with salt and serve them with potatoes and peanut sauce. But one vendor is taking things to another gastronomic level, serving guinea pigs as a cold dessert.

Some people like ice cream made from "cuy," as the animal is locally known. "I was suspicious, but it was tasty," said Marlene Franco, a 78-year-old retiree who tried a scoop at a stall next to a highway linking the Ecuadorian capital of Quito to the city of Sangolquí.

The stall owner is María del Carmen Pilapaña, whose offbeat offering inspires disbelief and laughter among first-time customers. Pilapaña's operation is small. It consists of two tables in an open area lined with dentists' clinics and other businesses. Even so, demand is growing. Every week, the entrepreneur prepares 150 servings (\$1 for a cone) of guinea pig ice cream.

She also makes 40 servings of ice cream flavored with beetles, also traditionally eaten as a salty snack, and a smaller amount of mushroom ice cream.

"My family and my husband thought I was crazy. They didn't think anyone would like these ice creams, but now they're our main product," said Pilapaña, who acknowledges that she had her own doubts about whether her investment would pay off. It was a close call. Out of work, with three children in tow, Pilapaña began attending free training courses for entrepreneurs.



In this Sept. 27, 2019 photo, María del Carmen Pilapaña chooses a guinea pig at a farm in San Jose de Taboada, Ecuador. In this Sept. 27, 2019 photo, María del Carmen Pilapaña chooses a guinea pig at a farm in San Jose de Taboada, Ecuador.

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She was challenged to do something innovative and, after six months of testing, she started selling her range of ice creams at the beginning of September. Pilapaña manages to concentrate guinea pig flavor after cooking and preparing a pate from the animal's flesh, adds milk or cream and refrigerates the concoction until it has the rough consistency of ice cream. The taste is similar to chicken.

The beetle and mushroom ice creams include fruits such as pineapple and passion fruit. Beetle ice cream has a slight aroma of wet earth. Ants, cicadas and worms are used to make some desserts, often chocolate-infused ones, in parts of

Latin America. But incorporating such ingredients _ guinea pigs included _ into ice cream is unusual.

Carolina Páez, director of the anthropology school of the Catholic University in Quito, isn't surprised.

"The guinea pig is a very important ancient food in Andean indigenous societies, especially for its high protein content," she said. Other cultures eat various types of animals, Páez said, "so there is no reason to be amazed that Ecuadorians eat guinea pigs, even in ice cream."

For Pilapaña, guinea pig ice cream is just the beginning. She has new flavors in mind: crab, chicken and pork. "Seeing how my business is picking up, I'm sure I'll do well," she said. □



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Yellow cedar rejected for threatened species listing

By DAN JOLING

Associated Press

ANCHORAGE, Alaska (AP)

— An iconic Alaska tree with roots that can freeze to death if not covered by snow was rejected Friday by a federal agency for the threatened species list.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service said that yellow cedar does not warrant additional protections because trees will persist in areas where climate change does not affect the trees.

Warming affects trees in less than 6 percent of yellow cedar range that stretches along the Pacific Coast from northern California to Alaska's Panhandle, according to the agency.

"Despite impacts from effects of climate change, timber harvest, fire, and other stressors, the species is expected to persist in thousands of stands across its range, in a variety of ecological niches, with no predicted decrease in overall genetic diversity into the foreseeable future," the agency said in its determination.

A spokeswoman for the Center for Biological Diversity, one of the groups that



In this 2005 file photo provided by the USDA Forest Service in Juneau, Alaska, yellow cedars grow in the West Chichagof-Yakobi Wilderness, north of Sitka, Alaska.

petitioned for the yellow cedar listing, called the decision reckless and a blow to the Tongass National Forest, the nation's largest.

"Alaska's yellow cedar are suffering a double-whammy from the climate crisis and intensifying logging in their stronghold on the Tongass," said Shaye Wolf in an email response to questions. "Instead of pro-

tecting these ancient trees, the Trump administration is fueling the key threats to the species with its reckless climate denial and logging assault on the Tongass."

A research review done for the Alaska Department of Fish and Game indicated that 12 percent of yellow cedar range in Alaska is affected with 70% to 80% cedar mortality in those areas,

she said. Die-offs are projected to worsen, she said. "If urgent action is not taken to reign in carbon pollution, by 2070 yellow cedars may no longer be able to survive in half the areas in their range that are currently climatically suitable, with 75 percent of yellow cedar forests in Alaska experiencing unsuitable conditions," she said.

Yellow cedar trees can live more than 1,000 years and are a key part of southeast Alaska Native culture.

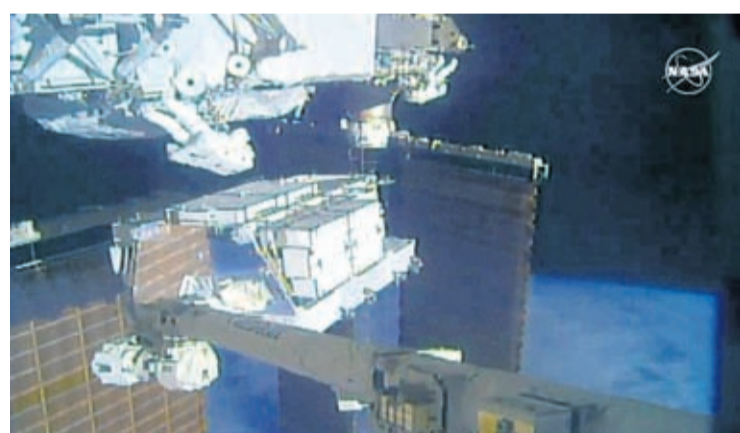
Native Alaska Tlingit, Haida and Tsimshian people use the rot-resistant wood for canoe paddles and totem poles. They take lengthwise strips of bark from living trees for weaving baskets and hats, and as backing in blankets. The trees can recover after the bark strip is removed and continue growing.

The listing petition, filed in June 2104, said that across 781 square miles (2023 sq. kilometers) of Alaska's Panhandle, more than 70 percent of yellow cedar trees had died because of root freeze induced by climate change.

Yellow cedar was among a dozen species rejected for listing by the agency. The agency also rejected the Berry Cave salamander, cobblestone tiger beetle, Florida clamshell orchid, longhead darter, Ocala vetch, Panamint alligator lizard, Peaks of Otter salamander, redlips darter, Scott riffle beetle, southern hognose snake and yellow anise tree. □

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Astronauts replace old batteries in 1st of 5 spacewalks



In this image made from video provided by NASA, NASA astronauts Christina Koch and Andrew Morgan work outside the International Space Station, Sunday, Oct. 6 2019.

Associated Press

By MARCIA DUNN

AP Aerospace Writer

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP)

— Astronauts hustled through the first of five spacewalks to replace old batteries at the International Space Station on Sunday.

Christina Koch and Andrew Morgan removed three old batteries and installed two new ones delivered just a week ago, getting a jump on future work. These new lithium-ion batteries are so powerful that only one is needed for every two old ones, which are original to the orbiting lab.

"Awesome work today. We have made great progress," Mission Control radioed. Koch replied: "It has been a wonderful day ... we look forward to the rest of the series."

Koch and Morgan will

venture back out Friday for more battery work 250 miles (400 kilometers) up.

The 400-pound (180-kilogram) batteries — half the size of a refrigerator — are part of the space station's solar power network. Astronauts have been upgrading them since 2017 and are now more than halfway done.

The old batteries are 10 years old; the new ones are expected to last until the end of the space station's life, providing vital power on the night side of the Earth. These new batteries are so powerful that only one is needed for every two old ones.

These latest battery swaps are especially difficult given the extreme location on the station's sprawling frame. It's too far for the 58-foot (17-meter) robot

arm to reach, forcing astronauts to lug the batteries back and forth themselves.

That's why so many spacewalks are needed this time to replace 12 old nickel-hydrogen batteries with six new lithium-ion versions.

Koch and Morgan took turns holding each battery as they made their way, inchworm style, along the structure. The batteries were so bulky that it blocked the spacewalkers' views of one another, prompting constant updates. "I am right next to you," Koch said at one point. "I have the battery," Morgan replied. Then Koch had the battery, and so it went until the job was complete.

They ended up plugging in two new batteries, one more than anticipated, and removing an extra old one. □

Spanish cinema great Almodóvar plans his 1st film in America

By SIGAL RATNER-ARIAS

Associated Press

NEW YORK (AP) — Pedro Almodóvar is a master of cinema who has found international acclaim with 21 films he's shot in his native Spain. Now he's setting his sights on making his first film in North America. Almodóvar said the film is set in Texas and would be mostly in English, with some bilingual scenes shot in Mexico. The director said he has the story mapped out in a first draft of the script and while some work still needs to be done, he's planning that it will be his next film. "I can't say the title yet, but I can say it is based on five stories by an American female author and that it happens partly in Texas and partly in Mexico," he told The Associated Press. "It would be the first time that I get out of Spain," he said.

Almodóvar's latest feature, "Pain and Glory," was released Friday in the U.S. The highly autobiographical drama stars Antonio Banderas as an aging film director who flirts with drugs and has to confront his own past while reflecting on his

life and career. It has been hailed as one of his best movies in recent years and won Banderas the best actor award at the Cannes Film Festival in May. It is also Spain's submission to the Oscars for best international feature film, the category formerly known as best foreign language film. If it wins, it would be exactly 20 years after Almodóvar's "All About My Mother" received the award. (The filmmaker also won the best original screenplay Oscar in 2003 for "Talk To Her.")

"This will force me to come a few times in the next months because (the distributor) Sony is making a big campaign — and this is something good — because they have a lot of faith in the movie. And also the first reactions it is getting are incredibly positive," he said. But "this doesn't mean anything other than there's going to be a big campaign to be able to be among the five nominees. I will do everything possible, which will be to come, to cross the Pond as many times as they tell me, and the rest is a mystery.



This Sept. 28, 2019 file photo shows actor Antonio Banderas, left, and director/screenwriter Pedro Almodovar at the premiere of "Pain and Glory" during the 57th New York Film Festival in New York.

Associated Press

"It's a very long road and it's not in my hands, but... I would love to be" back at the Oscars, he said. He also hopes to see Banderas nominated, like his muse Penélope Cruz was in 2007 for her starring role in

"Volver." Cruz won an Oscar two years later for her supporting role in Woody Allen's "Vicky Cristina Barcelona". "It makes me very happy to see Antonio among the first five (in many media pools,) and I

hope it continues this way", said Almodóvar. "Right now we can only speak about prospects, and the prospects are good. Reality will eventually place each of us wherever we belong." □

Ginger Baker, Cream's volatile drummer, dies at 80

By HILLEL ITALIE

Associated Press

LONDON (AP) — Ginger Baker, the volatile and propulsive drummer for Cream and other bands who wielded blues power and jazz finesse and helped shatter boundaries of time, tempo and style in popular music, died Sunday at age 80, his family said.

With blazing eyes, orange-red hair and a temperament to match, the London native ranked with The Who's Keith Moon and Led Zeppelin's John Bonham as the embodiment of musical and personal fury. Using twin bass drums, Baker fashioned a pounding, poly-rhythmic style uncommonly swift and heavy that inspired and intimidated countless musicians. But every beat seemed to mirror an offstage eruption —

whether his violent dislike of Cream bandmate Jack Bruce or his on-camera assault of a documentary maker, Jay Bulger, whom he smashed in the nose with his walking stick. Bulger would call the film, released in 2012, "Beware of Mr. Baker."

Baker's family said on Twitter that he died Sunday: "We are very sad to say that Ginger has passed away peacefully in hospital this morning."

His daughter Nettie confirmed that Baker died in Britain but gave no other details. The family had said on Sept. 25 that Baker was critically ill in the hospital. While Rolling Stone magazine once ranked him the third-greatest rock drummer of all time, behind Moon and Bonham, Baker had contempt for Moon

and others he dismissed as "bashers" without style or background. Baker and his many admirers saw him as a rounded, sophisticated musician — an arranger, composer and student of the craft, absorbing sounds from around the world. He had been playing jazz since he was a teenager and spent years in Africa in the 1970s, forming a close friendship with the Nigerian musician-activist Fela Kuti.

"He was so unique and had such a distinctive personality," Stewart Copeland of the Police told www.musicradar.com in 2013. "Nobody else followed in his footsteps. Everybody tried to be John Bonham and copy his licks, but it's rare that you hear anybody doing the Ginger Baker thing." But many fans thought of Baker as a rock star, who



In this Sunday, Dec. 7, 2008 file photo, British musician Ginger Baker performs at the 'Zildjian Drummers Achievement Awards' at the Shepherd's Bush Empire in London.

Associated Press

teamed with Eric Clapton and Bruce in the mid-1960s to become Cream — one of the first supergroups and first power trios. All three were known individually in the London blues scene and together they helped make rock history by elevating instrumental prowess above the songs themselves, even as they had hits with "Sunshine of Your Love," "I Feel Free" and

"White Room." Cream was among the most successful acts of its time, selling more than 10 million records. But by 1968 Baker and Bruce had worn each other out and even Clapton had tired of their deafening, marathon jams, including the Baker showcase "Toad," one of rock's first extended drum solos.

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This image released by Warner Bros. Pictures shows Joaquin Phoenix in a scene from the film, "Joker."

Associated Press

'Joker' laughs its way to October box office record

By LINDSEY BAHR
LOS ANGELES (AP) — The filmmakers and studio behind "Joker" have reason to put on a happy face. Despite concerns over its violent themes and ramped up theater security, audiences flocked to the multiplex to check out the R-rated film this weekend resulting in a record October opening.

Warner Bros. said Sunday that "Joker" grossed an estimated \$93.5 million in ticket sales from 4,374 screens in North America. The previous October record-holder was the Spider-Man spinoff "Venom" which opened to \$80 million last year. Internationally, "Joker" earned \$140.5 million from 73 markets, resulting in a stunning \$234 million global debut.

"This was a much larger result at the box office than we had ever anticipated globally," said Jeff Goldstein, Warner Bros.' president of domestic distribution. "Putting records aside, we're just thrilled that audiences are embracing the movie as strong as they are."

Since debuting at the Venice Film Festival where it won the prestigious Golden Lion last month, "Joker" has been both praised and criticized for its dark spin on the classic Batman villain played by Joaquin Phoenix. The film from director and co-writer Todd Phillips was always seen as a bit of a gamble with one of the studios' most valuable pieces of intellectual property, hence its modest-for-a-comic-book-film \$55 million budget.

But in the weeks lead-

ing up to its release, hype and uneasiness intensified beyond how audiences would react to placing this character in a realistic and unambiguously adult setting with "Taxi Driver" undertones. Responding to anxiety that the film might have the potential to inspire violence, multiple theater chains banned costumes or reaffirmed earlier policies regarding masks and authorities in numerous cities said they were stepping police patrols around theaters. Some relatives of the 2012 Aurora movie theater shooting even asked Warner Bros. to commit to gun control causes — the studio said it always has.

While some worried this would impact the box office, it did not ultimately detract audiences from turning out opening weekend; the box office surpassed industry expectations and may rise even higher when weekend actuals are reported Monday. Although the film got a B+ CinemaScore from opening night audiences, the studio is optimistic about its long-term playability.

"Sixty-six percent of the audience was under the age of 35," Goldstein said. "That tells you that the audience will expand out with that younger group as time goes on." The younger audience also gave the film a more favorable A- CinemaScore.

Paul Dergarabedian, the senior media analyst for box office tracker Comscore, said that the convergence of critical acclaim and controversy actually helped the film become

bigger than expected at the box office.

"It's the ultimate water-cooler movie right now," Dergarabedian said. He added that it was important that "Joker" was always marketed as a "very dark, R-rated film."

"It always had an element of mystery and danger surrounding it," Dergarabedian said. "If it were a G-rated film, controversy like this would not be a good thing."

In the landscape of R-rated comic book films, "Joker" is nestled between "Deadpool" and its sequel, both of which opened over \$125 million, and "Logan," which launched with \$88.4 million.

"Joker" was the only new wide release this weekend, which is down from last year when both "Venom" and "A Star is Born" opened. Holdovers populated the top 10: The more family friendly "Abominable" landed in second place with \$12 million in its second weekend and "Downton Abbey" took third in its third weekend with \$8 million.

With awards buzz behind it, the Judy Garland biopic "Judy," starring Renee Zellweger, added nearly 1,000 screens this weekend and placed seventh with \$4.5 million from 1,458 locations. And in limited release, Pedro Almodóvar's critically acclaimed "Pain and Glory" launched on four screens to a solid \$160,087. Less fortunate was the Natalie Portman-led astronaut drama "Lucy in the Sky" which earned only \$55,000 from 37 theaters resulting in a dismal \$1,500 per screen average. □

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Ginger Baker, Cream's volatile drummer, dies at 80

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Cream split up at the end of the year, departing with two sold-out shows at London's Albert Hall. When told by Bulger that he was a founding father of heavy metal, Baker snarled that the genre "should have been aborted."

To the surprise of many, especially Clapton, he and Baker were soon part of another super group, Blind Faith, which also featured singer-keyboardist Stevie Winwood and bassist Ric Grech.

As Clapton would recall, he and Winwood had been playing informally when Baker turned up (Baker would allege that Clapton invited him). Named Blind Faith by a rueful Clapton, the band was overwhelmed by expectations from the moment it debuted in June 1969 before

some 100,000 at a concert in London's Hyde Park. It split up after completing just one, self-titled album, as notable for its cover photo of a topless young girl as for its music. A highlight from the record: Baker's cymbal splashes on Winwood's lyrical ballad "Can't Find My Way Home."

"Beneath his somewhat abrasive exterior, there was a very sensitive human being with a heart of gold," Winwood said in a statement Sunday.

From the 1970s on, Baker was ever more unpredictable. He moved to Nigeria, took up polo, drove a Land Rover across the Sahara, lived on a ranch in South Africa, divorced his first wife and married three more times.

He recorded with Kuti and other Nigerians, jammed with Art Blakey, Elvin Jones and other jazz drummers



In this Aug. 20, 1967 file photo, members of the rock group Cream depart from Heathrow Airport in London, for their American tour. The trio, walking with unidentified female companions, from left are, base guitarist Jack Bruce, drummer Ginger Baker, and lead guitarist Eric Clapton.

and played with John Lydon's Public Image Ltd. He founded Ginger Baker's Air Force, which cost a fortune and imploded after two albums. He endured his old enemy, Bruce, when Cream was inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame in 1993 and for Cream reunion concerts a decade later. Bruce died in 2014.

Baker continued to perform regularly in his 70s de-

spite arthritis, heart trouble, hearing loss dating from his years with Cream and lung disease from smoking. A stranger to no vice, immodesty included, he called his memoir "Hellraiser: The Autobiography of the World's Greatest Drummer."

"John Bonham once made a statement that there were only two drummers in British rock 'n' roll; himself and Ginger Baker," Baker wrote in his book. "My re-

action to this was, 'You cheeky little bastard!'"

Born in 1939, Peter Edward Baker was the son of a bricklayer killed during World War II when Ginger was just 4. His father left behind a letter that Ginger Baker would quote from: "Use your fists; they're your best pals so often."

Baker was a drummer from early on, even rapping out rhythms on his school desk as he mimicked the big band music he loved and didn't let the occasional caning from a teacher deter him. As a teenager, he was playing in local groups and was mentored by percussionist Phil Seamen.

"At this party, there was a little band and all the kids chanted at me, 'Play the drums!'", Baker told The Independent in 2009. "I'd never sat behind a kit before, but I sat down — and I could play! One of the musicians turned round and said, 'Bloody hell, we've got a drummer', and I thought, 'Bloody hell, I'm a drummer.'" □

Working past 65? It's easier to do if you graduated college

By **STAN CHOE**
SARAH SKIDMORE SELL
Associated Press

NEW YORK (AP) — Close to one in five Americans who's 65 or older is still working, the highest percentage in more than half a century. And the one who's still working may be better off. As more and more Americans delay retirement, it's those with a college degree that find it easiest to keep working past 65. Their less-educated peers, meanwhile, are having a more difficult time staying in the workforce.

It's a crucial distinction because financial experts say both groups would benefit from working an extra year or more to improve their retirement security. By staying on the job, older Americans can build up their savings, which in too many cases are inadequate. Plus, they can allow bigger Social Security benefits to accrue. Besides, many older Americans like the idea of staying engaged by working.

Less-educated Americans, though, aren't always able to follow this path, even though they tend to have less in retirement savings. Instead, many are forced to retire before their mid-60s because of poor health, the inability to do jobs that require a lot of physical activity or other reasons.

"If less-educated people were retiring early and comfortable in their retirement years, good for them, but we know they aren't," said Matt Rutledge, research economist at the Center for Retirement Research at Boston College. There is a widening gap in retirement ages between college and high-school graduates, Rutledge says, one that is most apparent when looking at the average age of retirement for men. The increasing number of women in the workforce in recent decades can skew the overall figures.

Men with college degrees are retiring at an average age of 65.7, according to Rutledge's calculations based on government data. That's nearly three



In this Tuesday, Sept. 25, 2018, photo Gerry Goldsholle poses for a photo by a harbor outside his office in Sausalito, Calif.

years later than men with only high-school degrees, who are retiring at an average age of 62.8.

In the late 1970s, though, the two groups were retiring at nearly the same age: 64.6 for college graduates and 64.1 for high-school graduates.

"We see people intending to work a whole lot longer, but the problem is that for the most part, it's a lot easier for the college graduates to fulfill that plan," Rutledge said.

This divide between highly- and less-educated Americans begins long before the golden years. Starting from their 20s, college graduates are more likely to have jobs and to make more money than their less-educated peers. Last year, for example, the typical

college graduate earned nearly two-thirds more than the typical high-school graduate, among all workers aged 25 and above.

That's driving a split in retirement savings: The typical households run by someone with a college degree has \$116,900 in a retirement account, more than triple the \$36,000 median for households run by someone with only a high-school diploma.

WHAT'S DRIVING THE RETIREMENT DIVIDE

Health is a big factor in deciding when to retire, Rutledge said. A stroke, heart attack or depression could knock anyone into an earlier-than-expected retirement, but less-educated Americans tend to have worse health as a group than their higher-educated

peers.

Less-educated Americans also are more likely to be in physically demanding jobs, which are tougher to keep as age increases.

Among men aged 50 and over, for example, 61 percent of workers without a college degree have to move heavy loads (or people) as a regular part of their job. That's more than double the 23 percent rate of their college-graduate peers, according to researchers at Harvard University, RAND Corp. and the University of California, Los Angeles. Lower-educated workers also are much more likely to have jobs that require them to stand all the time, do repetitive hand movements or be in tiring or painful positions.

"It's much easier to work sitting down at a computer at 65 than in a warehouse," said Craig Copeland, senior research associate with the Employee Benefit Research Institute.

The federal government said on Friday that 19.2 percent of everyone aged 65 and over was employed, as of September. That's tied for the highest rate since 1962, and it's nearly double the level of the mid-1980s.

WHY KEEP WORKING

Incentives are aligned for people to keep working, even past their mid-60s.

When clients at wealth adviser Brouwer & Jana-

chowski come to CEO Stephen Janachowski, he shows them how much in spending money they'll have each year in retirement, if they retire at 62. But then he shows how much larger that number would be if they wait until 67, as much as 50 percent higher in some cases.

"We're not even trying to talk them into it," he said. "It's more giving them options. Do you want to be able to take more trips, spend more time with your family, and is it worth it to you to work longer and have more of those things?"

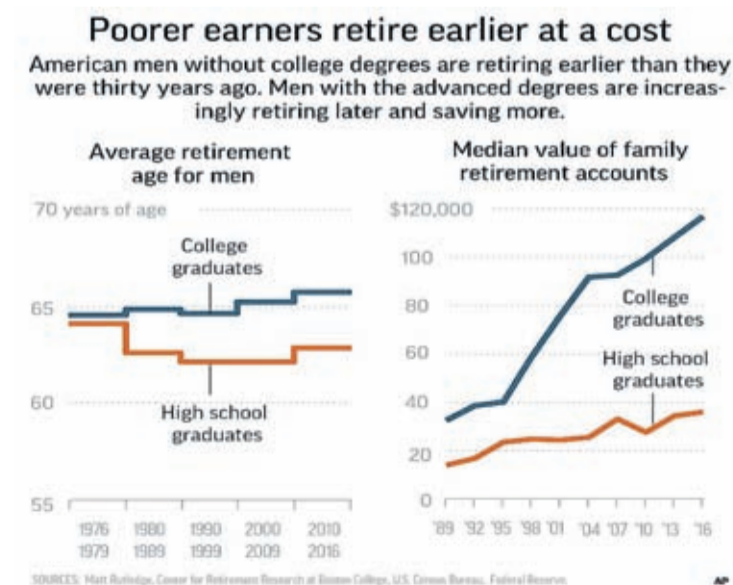
Consider someone who turns 66 this year and would get \$1,000 monthly as their Social Security benefit. If that person had retired at 62, their monthly benefit would have been only \$750. And for each year they delay getting benefits past 66, the size of that benefit will grow by 8 percent, until they reach age 70.

A BUSY SET OF GOLDEN YEARS

Gerry Goldsholle just celebrated his 78th birthday, and he's still working. He has degrees from William and Mary and Columbia University, and after a roughly two-decade career with MetLife, he took an early-retirement offer when he was 50 years old. His first wife had recently died, and he was ready for a big change. But after just three months of retirement, he was bored. "I missed the action and working with smart people," he said.

He started doing consulting work after people from his days with MetLife reached out to him for help with projects. This gig grew into Advice Co., which runs the legal-advice site FreeAdvice.com. Goldsholle is CEO of the company and also travels extensively with his wife — he remarried in 1996 — who says she would prefer that he "re-retire."

"But I think she knows that's not likely as long as I remain healthy and so long as my colleagues and I feel I am making a positive contribution," he said in an interview conducted over email. □



The divide between highly- and less-educated Americans begins long before the golden years.

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